

# Climate Action Plan

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# 1 Introduction

# 1.1 Scope and Purpose

#### **Background and Purpose**

The Climate Action Plan (CAP) is designed to reduce Carlsbad's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and streamline environmental review of future development projects in the city in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The CAP has been prepared concurrently with the city's updated General Plan and includes actions to carry out the General Plan's goals and policies, consistent with the Community Vision articulated during Envision Carlsbad. The CAP is also correlated with the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) on the General Plan, with the CAP GHG reduction target synchronized with the EIR.

# **Community Vision and Environmental Stewardship**

Carlsbad has long been a steward of environmental sustainability. In 2007, the Carlsbad City Council adopted a set of sustainability and environmental guiding principles (Resolution No. 2007-187) to help guide city investments, activities, and programs. Sustainability emerged as a key theme during the Envision Carlsbad community outreach process, and reflected as a Core Value of the Community Vision:

*Core Value 6: Sustainability.* Build on the city's sustainability initiatives to emerge as a leader in green development and sustainability. Pursue public/private partnerships, particularly on sustainable water, energy, recycling, and foods.

#### **The General Plan**

The General Plan includes strategies such as mixed-use development, higher density infill development, integrated transportation and land use planning, promotion of bicycle and pedestrian movements, and transportation demand management. It also includes goals and policies to promote energy efficiency, waste reduction, and resource conservation and recycling. These strategies, goals, and policies would result in GHG reduction compared to baseline trends.

#### CAP

The CAP includes goals, policies, and actions for Carlsbad to reduce GHG emissions and combat climate change and includes:

- An inventory of Carlsbad's citywide and local government GHG emissions;
- Forecasts of future citywide and local government GHG emissions;
- A comprehensive, citywide strategy and actions to manage and reduce GHG emissions, with emission targets through 2035; and
- Actions that demonstrate Carlsbad's commitment to achieve state GHG reduction targets by creating enforceable measures, and monitoring and reporting processes to ensure targets are met.

The timeframe for the Plan extends from the date of adoption through 2035.

### 1.2 Climate Change and Greenhouse Gases Overview

#### **Greenhouse Effect and GHGs**

Gases that trap heat in the atmosphere are often called "greenhouse gases" (GHGs). The greenhouse effect traps heat in the troposphere through a threefold process as follows: Shortwave radiation emitted by the sun is absorbed by the earth; the earth emits a portion of this energy in the form of long-wave radiation; and GHGs in the upper atmosphere absorb this long-wave radiation, emitting some of it into space and the rest back toward the earth. This "trapping" of the long-wave (thermal) radiation emitted back toward the earth is the underlying process of the greenhouse effect (Figure 1-1).

Principal GHGs include carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ ), methane ( $CH_4$ ), nitrous oxide ( $N_2O$ ), ozone ( $O_3$ ), and water vapor ( $H_2O$ ). Some GHGs, such as  $CO_2$ ,  $CH_4$ , and  $N_2O$ , occur naturally and are emitted to the atmosphere through natural processes and human activities. Since different gases contribute to the greenhouse effect in different proportions, the term  $CO_2$ e (carbon dioxide equivalent) provides the reference frame based on comparison to  $CO_2$ 's contribution.

The greenhouse effect is a natural process that contributes to regulating the earth's temperature. Without it, the temperature of the earth would be about  $0^{\circ}F$  ( $-18^{\circ}C$ ) instead of its present  $57^{\circ}F$  ( $14^{\circ}C$ ) and unlikely to support human life in its current form.

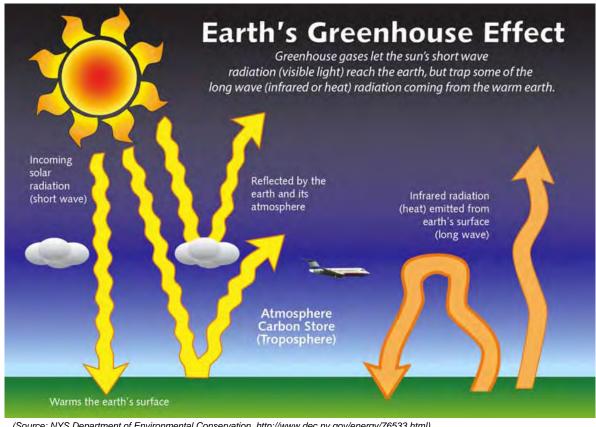


Figure 1-1: Greenhouse Gas Effect

(Source: NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, http://www.dec.ny.gov/energy/76533.html)

# Carbon Cycle and Global Temperatures

The global carbon cycle is complex and incorporates natural sources of atmospheric carbon dioxide, including respiration of aerobic organisms, wildfires, and volcanic outgassing, and sinks such the removal of CO<sub>2</sub> from by land plants for photosynthesis, and absorption by the ocean. Data collected on global GHG concentrations over the past 800,000 years demonstrates that the concentration of CO<sub>2</sub>, the principal GHG, has increased dramatically since pre-industrial times, from approximately below 300 parts per million (ppm) in 1800, to about 353 ppm in 1990, 379 ppm in 2005, and 399 ppm in early 2013.<sup>1</sup>

Increased atmospheric concentrations of GHGs have led to a rise in average global temperatures. Figure 1-2 shows the increase in global temperatures from 1880 to 2011. While average global temperatures fluctuate on a yearly basis, the general trend shows a long-term temperature increase. Nine of the ten warmest years since 1880 have occurred since the year 2000, and scientists expect the long-term temperature increase to continue as well. The consensus among climate scientists is that earth's climate system is unequivocally warming,

<sup>1</sup> Source: NOAA "Trends in Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide," http://www.esrl.noaa.gov/gmd/ccgg/trends/

and rigorous scientific research demonstrates that anthropogenic<sup>2</sup> greenhouse gases are the primary driver.

Global Temperature Difference (°C) 0.6 -0.4 -Annual Mean 5-year Mean 0.2 -0 -0.2uncertainty -0.41900 1920 1940 1960 1980 2000 1880

Figure 1-2: Change in Average Global Temperatures

(Source: NASA Headquarters Release No. 12-020, http://www.nasa.gov/topics/earth/features/2011-temps.html)

### **Climate Change**

Global climate change concerns are focused on the potential effects of climate change resulting from excessive GHGs in the atmosphere and how communities can mitigate effects and adapt to change in the short and long term.

Numerous observations document the impacts of global climate change, including increases in global average air and ocean temperatures, the widespread melting of snow and ice, more intense heat waves, and rising global average sea level. Scientists have high confidence that global temperatures will continue to rise in the foreseeable future, largely due to anthropogenic GHG emissions. In addition to the physical impacts to the environment from increased temperatures, sea level rise, and more frequent extreme weather events, global climate change is predicted to continue to cause ecological and social impacts. Ecological impacts of climate change include greater risk of extinction of species, loss of species diversity, and alteration of global biogeochemical cycles, which play an essential role in nutrient distribution. The social impacts of climate change include impacts on agriculture, fisheries, energy, water resources, forestry, construction, insurance, financial services, tourism and recreation.

According to the International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) in North America, the regional impacts of climate change are a forecast of decreased snowpack in the western mountains, a 5 to 20 percent decrease in the yields of rain-fed agriculture in some regions,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Caused by human activities

and increased frequency, intensity and duration of heat waves in cities that currently experience them.

In California, the Climate Action Team (CAT)—a group of state agency secretaries and the heads of agency, boards and departments, led by the Secretary of the California Environmental Protection Agency—synthesized current research on the environmental and economic impacts of climate change. The CAT found that climate changes are poised to affect virtually every sector of the state's economy and most ecosystems. Key findings of the CAT include predicted decreases in water supply that could cause revenue losses of up to \$3 billion in the agricultural sector by 2050, increases in statewide electricity demand of up to 55 percent by the end of the century, increased wildfire risk that may cause monetary impacts of up to \$2 billion by 2050, and ecosystems impacts affecting California's historic ranching culture and a source of local, grass-fed beef.

Higher temperatures, changes in precipitation, decreased water supplies accompanied by increased demand, increased risk of wildfire, a greater number of extremely hot days, the decline or loss of plant and animal species, and other impacts of climate change are expected to continue to affect Carlsbad. Climate change also has public health impacts. City residents who are already more vulnerable to health challenges are likely to be the most affected by climate change. These populations tend to be the young and the old, the poor, and those who are already sick. Increases in extreme heat events can increase the risk of heat-related illness or death, or the worsening of chronic health conditions. Food scarcity and higher food prices from impacts to agriculture can cause increased hunger and reduced availability of nutrition. The increased frequency of natural disasters such as floods, droughts, wildfires, and storm surges can cause injury or death, illness, and increases or shifts in infectious diseases.

# 1.3 California GHG Reduction Legal Framework

California has taken an aggressive stance to reduce GHG emissions in order to combat the impacts of climate change.

#### **Governor's Executive Order S-3-05**

Executive Order S-3-05 (EO S-3-05) recognizes California's vulnerability to increased temperatures causing human health impacts, rising sea levels, and reduced Sierra snowpack due to a changing climate. The Executive Order established targets to reduce GHG emissions to 2000 levels by 2010, to 1990 levels by 2020, and to 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050.

### Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 and CARB Scoping Plan

The Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Assembly Bill 32, or AB 32) codifies the target set in EO S-3-05 of statewide reductions to 1990 emissions levels by 2020. AB 32 directs the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to develop and implement a scoping plan and regulations to meet the 2020 target.

CARB approved the Scoping Plan in 2008, which provides guidance for local communities to meet AB 32 and EO S-3-05 targets. The Scoping Plan adopted a quantified cap on GHG

emission representing 1990 emission levels, instituted a schedule to meet the emission cap, and developed tracking, reporting, and enforcement tools to assist the State in meeting the required GHG emission reductions. The Scoping Plan recommends that local governments target 2020 emissions at 15 percent below 2005 levels to account for emissions growth since 1990, as proxy for 1990 emissions, since few localities know those levels.

The Carlsbad CAP's GHG emission targets are based on meeting the goals set in EO S-3-05 and AB 32.

# 1.4 Federal and State Emissions Reductions Strategies and Standards

Several federal and state standards have been adopted to reduce GHG emissions, in addition to and in support of the targets set in EO S-3-05 and AB 32.

#### **Federal Standards**

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulates and tests gas mileage or fuel economy in order to deter air pollution in the United States. As the transportation sector produces approximately 30 percent of GHG emissions in the U.S. as a whole, fuel economy regulations are an important way to reduce GHG emissions.<sup>3</sup> The EPA's Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards require vehicle manufacturers to comply with the gas mileage or fuel economy standards to reduce energy consumption by increasing the fuel economy of cars and light trucks. The most recent CAFE GHG emissions standards were set in 2012, which will increase the fuel economy to 54.5 miles per gallon average for cars and light trucks by Model Year 2025, and reduce U.S. oil consumption by 12 billion barrels per year. The EPA also imposes the Gas Guzzler Tax on manufacturers of new cars that do not meet required fuel economy levels, to discourage the production and purchase of fuel-inefficient vehicles.

The EPA is taking further action to reduce GHG emissions in addition to setting fuel economy standards. The EPA established a renewable fuel standard to include a minimum volume of renewable fuel in 2013, which applies to all gasoline and diesel produced or imported. On September 20, 2013, the EPA proposed the first national limits on the amount of carbon pollution that new power plants will be allowed to emit. The EPA will propose standards for existing power plants by June 1, 2014. The EPA also approved oil and natural gas air pollution standards in 2013 to reduce pollution from the oil and natural gas industry.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> In 2011, GHG emissions from transportation were about 28 percent of the total 6,702 million metric tons CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents (Source: http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/ghgemissions/sources/transportation.html)

#### **State Standards**

#### California Senate Bill 375

SB 375 (2008) requires each Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in the state to adopt a Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) aimed at achieving a coordinated and balance regional transportation system, including mass transit, highways, railroads, bicycles, and pedestrians, among other forms of transit. Each MPO is required to prepare a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) which sets forth forecast development patterns and describes the transportation system that achieve the regional GHG emission reduction targets set by CARB.

CARB's targets for San Diego County call for the region to reduce per capita emissions 7 percent by 2020 and 13 percent by 2035 based on a 2005 baseline. There are no mandated targets beyond 2035. San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), the San Diego County MPO, adopted its current RTP/SCS in October 2011. The SCS lays out how the region will meet the CARB GHG targets to the year 2035. As the SCS is focused on passenger vehicle emissions on a regional scale, it is considered separate from the reductions outlined in this CAP.

#### Senate Bill 1368

SB 1368 creates GHG emissions performance standards for baseload generation<sup>4</sup> from investor-owned utilities. The bill requires that any long-term financial investment in baseload generation resources made on behalf of California customers must meet a performance standard of producing below 1,000 lbs CO<sub>2</sub> per MWh (megawatt-hour), approximately equal to a combined-cycle natural gas plant.

### Governor's Executive Order S-1-07 (Low Carbon Fuel Standard)

Executive Order S-1-07, the Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS), requires a reduction of at least 10 percent in the carbon intensity of California's transportation fuels by 2020. The LCFS requires oil refineries and distributors to ensure that the mix of fuel sold in California meets this reduction. The reduction includes not only tailpipe emissions but also all other associated emissions from the production distribution and use of transport fuels within the state.

#### Renewable Portfolio Standards

California's Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS), established in 2002 by the California State Senate in Senate Bill 1078, accelerated in 2006 and expanded in 2011, is one of the most ambitious renewable energy standards in the country. The RPS requires each energy provider to supply electricity from eligible renewable energy resources to 33 percent of the total supply by 2020.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Baseload generation is the minimum amount of power that a utility must make available to customers to meet minimum demands based on customer usage.

#### Pavley Fuel Economy Standards (AB 1493)

In 2009, CARB adopted amendments to the Pavley regulations to reduce GHG emissions in new passenger vehicles from 2009 to 2016. The standards became the model for the updated federal CAFE standards.

#### Title 24 Building Standards & CALGreen

Title 24 is California's Building Energy Code, which is updated every three years. In 2010, Title 24 was updated to include the "California Green Building Standards Code," referred to as CALGreen. CALGreen requires that new buildings reduce water consumption, increase system efficiencies, divert construction waste from landfills, and install low pollutant-emitting finish materials. CALGreen has mandatory measures that apply to nonresidential and residential construction. The most recent CALGreen code was adopted in 2013 and became effective in 2014. CALGreen contains voluntary Tier 1 and Tier 2 levels, which are designed to exceed energy efficiency and other standards by 15 percent or 30 percent.

# 1.5 Planning Process

#### **How This Plan Was Prepared**

The CAP reflects the city's commitment to the Core Values presented in the General Plan, and links the elements of the plan—including Sustainability; Open Space and the Natural Environment; Access to Recreation and Active, Health Lifestyles; Walking, Biking, Public Transportation, and Connectivity; and Neighborhood Revitalization, Community Design, and Livability—with the goal of GHG reduction. The CAP was prepared in 2013 by City staff and consultants, with input from the public.

On August 22, 2013 the City of Carlsbad hosted a Community Workshop on the CAP. The workshop provided an opportunity to present the citywide emissions inventory that had been completed, and discuss potential emission reduction strategies. Feedback from the Community Workshop was used to guide the preparation of this document.

### Relationship to the California Environmental Quality Act

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) is a statute that requires local agencies to identify significant environmental impacts of their actions and avoid or mitigate those impacts, if feasible. In 2007, California's lawmakers enacted Senate Bill (SB) 97, which expressly recognizes the need to analyze GHG emissions as part of the CEQA process. SB 97 required the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) to develop recommended amendments to address GHG emissions as an environmental effect.

In 2010, OPR's amendments to the CEQA guidelines addressing GHG emissions became effective. Lead agencies are now obligated to describe, calculate or estimate the amount of GHG emissions resulting from a project, by using a model or methodology to quantify GHG emissions resulting from a project or relying on a qualitative analysis or performance based standards. The lead agency should determine whether a project's GHG emissions significantly affect the environment by considering whether the project's emissions, as

compared to the existing environmental setting, exceeds a threshold of significance that the lead agency determines applies to the project, and the extent to which the project complies with the regulations or requirements adopted to implement a statewide, regional, or local plan for the reduction or mitigation of GHG emissions. In addition, the lead agency is required to impose feasible mitigation to eliminate or substantially reduce significant effects.

The CAP will help the city with compliance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b): Tiering and Streamlining the Analysis of Greenhouse Gas Emissions, which became effective in 2010.<sup>5</sup> The required elements of a CAP, as cited in the guidelines, state that a plan for the reduction of GHG emissions should:

- Quantify greenhouse gas emissions, both existing and projected over a specified time period, resulting from activities within a defined geographic area;
- Establish a level, based on substantial evidence, below which the contribution to greenhouse gas emissions from activities covered by the plan would not be cumulatively considerable;
- Identify and analyze the greenhouse gas emissions resulting from specific actions or categories of actions anticipated within the geographic area;
- Specify measures or a group of measures, including performance standards, that substantial evidence demonstrates, if implemented on a project-by-project basis, would collectively achieve the specified emissions level;
- Establish a mechanism to monitor the plan's progress toward achieving the level and to require amendment if the plan is not achieving specified levels;
- Be adopted in a public process following environmental review.

The CAP is intended to fulfill these requirements. The CAP also contains a Project Review Checklist, which allows for streamlined review of GHG emissions for projects that demonstrate consistency with the CAP, as described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b).

### Relationship to General Plan and Future Projects

Carlsbad's approach to addressing GHG emissions within the General Plan is parallel to the climate change planning process followed by numerous California jurisdictions. A General Plan is a project under CEQA, and projects under CEQA are required to estimate CO<sub>2</sub> and other GHG emissions, as described above. According to the Attorney General, "in the context of a general plan update, relevant emissions include those from government operations, as well as from the local community as a whole. Emissions sources include, for example, transportation, industrial facilities and equipment, residential and commercial development,

the requirements in a previously adopted plan or mitigation program under specified circumstances."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 15183.5(b) of CEQA Guidelines states, "Plans for the Reduction of Greenhouse Gas Emissions. Public agencies may choose to analyze and mitigate significant greenhouse gas emissions in a plan for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions or similar document. A plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions may be used in a cumulative impacts analysis as set forth below. Pursuant to sections 15064(h)(3) and 15130(d), a lead agency may determine that a project's incremental contribution to a cumulative effect is not cumulatively considerable if the project complies with

agriculture, and land conversion." The CAP is designed to provide discrete actions to operationalize the General Plan policies that help with GHG reduction, as well as outline additional actions to help meet GHG reduction targets. The preparation of a CAP is also consistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5 that allows jurisdictions to analyze and mitigate the significant effects of GHG at a programmatic level, by adopting a plan to reduce GHG emissions.

Project-specific environmental documents prepared for projects consistent with the General Plan may rely on the programmatic analysis contained in the CAP and the EIR certified for the Carlsbad General Plan. The thresholds presented in Section 5.3 present a clear method for determining the significance of GHG emissions for future projects.

#### 1.6 How to Use This Plan

The CAP is intended to be a tool for policy makers, community members and others to guide the implementation of actions that limit Carlsbad's GHG emissions. Ensuring that the mitigation measures in the CAP translate from policy language to on-the-ground results is critical to the success of the CAP. Chapter 5 describes how the city will review development projects to achieve the GHG reduction measures in Chapter 4, consistent with state CEQA Guidelines. This chapter also outlines how the city will monitor progress in reducing emissions, and periodically revisit assumptions and key provisions of the plan.

# 2 Emissions Inventory

This chapter identifies the major sources and the overall magnitude of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in Carlsbad, pursuant to Sections 15183.5(b)(1)(A) and 15183.5(b)(1)(C) of the state CEQA Guidelines. The City of Carlsbad prepared an inventory of 2005 communitywide GHG emissions, including emissions from government operations, in 2008. As part of the Climate Action Plan (CAP) preparation effort, this inventory was updated to 2011 to provide a more current measure of emissions, and is summarized in this chapter. Appendix B provides the 2005 inventory and 2011 update in detail, which is summarized in Section 2.2 in this chapter.

The inventory follows the standards developed by the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) for community and government operations GHG inventories. The inventory methodology is described first, followed by the inputs, and results.

### 2.1 Methodology

The community inventory covers all direct GHG emissions<sup>6</sup> from sources within the boundaries of the City of Carlsbad, including fuel combusted in the community and direct emissions from landfills within the community. Indirect emissions associated with the consumption of energy (such as electricity, with no end point emissions) that is generated outside the borders of the city are also included. The community inventory tallies emissions from six sectors:

- Residential;
- Commercial;
- Industrial;
- Transportation;
- Solid waste; and
- Wastewater.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> GHGs considered in the report are carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O), and hydrofluorocarbons. The emissions have been converted to carbon dioxide equivalents (CO<sub>2</sub>e), which converts the three other GHGs into the equivalent volume of carbon dioxide.

As the city has much greater ability to influence its own operations, the government operations inventory is presented separately, and covers direct emissions from sources the City of Carlsbad owns and/or controls. This includes mobile combustion of fuel for city vehicles and the use of natural gas to heat city buildings. Indirect emissions associated with the consumption of electricity, steam, heating or cooling for city operations that are purchased from an outside utility are also included. All other indirect emissions sources, including employee commutes and the decomposition of government-generated solid waste, are not included as part of the local government operations, but rather counted in the community inventory. The government operations inventory covers emissions from the following sectors:

- Buildings and Facilities;
- Vehicle Fleet;
- Public Lighting; and
- Water and Wastewater Transport within city borders

ICLEI's CACP<sup>7</sup> model is used to estimate emissions from residential, commercial, and industrial consumption of energy and solid waste disposal. The California Air Resource Board's (CARB's) EMFAC<sup>8</sup> models were used to calculate transportation emissions, and other sources were used for solid waste and wastewater sectors.

The majority of emissions are calculated using activity data and emissions factors. Activity data refers to a measurement of energy use or another GHG-generation process, such as residential electricity use, or vehicle miles traveled. Emissions factors are used to convert activity data to emissions, and are usually expressed as emissions per unit of activity data (e.g. metric tons carbon dioxide  $[CO_2]$  per kilowatt hour of electricity). To estimate emissions, the following basic equation is used:

[Activity Data] 
$$x$$
 [Emissions Factor] = Emissions

As an example, multiplying the total amount of residential electricity use (activity data, expressed in kilowatt-hours) by the emissions factor (expressed as  $CO_2e$  emissions per kilowatt-hour) produces the emissions in  $CO_2e$  from residential energy use. The following section describes the inputs for the community inventory based on activity data (or usage).

Certain emissions that occur in the city are not counted in the community inventory. For example, during the community workshop on the CAP some participants questioned why emissions related to the Encina Power Plant are not included in Carlsbad's GHG inventory. The reason is as follows: embodied emissions, such as those resulting from power generation that is produced locally but distributed regionally, are not covered in Carlsbad's inventory, in accordance with ICLEI standards. These emissions are included at the points where energy is

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Clean Air and Climate Protection (CACP) is a model developed by ICLEI to inventory and forecast GHG emissions. The 2011 update utilized the CACP 2009 Version 3.0 software.

<sup>8</sup> The Emissions Factors (EMFAC) model was developed by CARB to measure various emissions from vehicles. There are multiple versions of EMFAC which focus on different vehicle types.

consumed (some of which are in Carlsbad) rather than where it is simply produced—otherwise emissions would either be double counted, or if only counted at the production source, electricity consumption (which is the second largest contributor to GHG) in climate action planning would be meaningless. Similarly, for water consumed in Carlsbad, emissions associated with its transport from Northern California and Colorado are counted in Carlsbad's inventory, rather than elsewhere.

The Carlsbad Desalination Plant, which will begin operations in 2016, would therefore not contribute emissions to the 2011 GHG inventory. The emissions forecast (Chapter 3) uses a regional average for water consumption emissions, which accounts for the effect of the desalination plant. In general, including these large regional facilities would effectively add GHGs from consumption of services outside of Carlsbad to the city's emission totals.

The McClellan-Palomar airport is county owned and operated, and is outside of the city's jurisdiction. The city has little, if any, influence over airport operations, and emissions associated with airport flight operations are excluded because they occur in a regional context.

For transportation trips that originate or end in Carlsbad, emissions for half of the entire trip are included, and not just for the miles traveled within Carlsbad; however, trips that just pass through Carlsbad are excluded, as their emissions would be reflected at their trip ends. Furthermore, although pass-through trips contribute a substantial amount to VMT totals, the city and Carlsbad community has limited ability to influence them.

# 2.2 Community Inventory

# Residential, Commercial, and Industrial (RCI) Electricity and Natural Gas Usage

The inputs for the CACP model for the residential, commercial and industrial (RCI) sectors are electricity and natural gas consumed. Table 2-1 shows RCI electricity and natural gas consumption, and the total citywide consumption of electricity and natural gas. The commercial sector has the largest electric consumption followed by residential and industrial. The greatest natural gas consumption is from the residential sector, used for heating homes and water, followed by commercial and industrial sectors.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> For example, for a trip that begins in downtown San Diego and ends in Carlsbad, the entire trip length is calculated for that trip. Half of the entire trip length is assigned to Carlsbad, and the other half is assigned to the City of San Diego. Using half the trip length is standard SANDAG methodology for assigning regional VMT to a particular city.

TABLE 2-1: RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL (RCI) INPUTS; 2011			
		Inputs	
Residential	Electric (kWh)	275,033,189	
	Natural Gas (therms)	15,769,481	
Commercial	Electric (kWh)	411,249,580	
	Natural Gas (therms)	7,844,336	
Industrial	Electric (kWh)	116,341,521	
	Natural Gas (therms)	1,536,470	
Total by Source			
Electricity (kWh)		802,624,290	
Natural Gas (therms)			

Source: SDG&E, 2013

Differing emissions based on the source of electricity, either bundled or direct access electricity, were taken into account. Bundled electricity is produced for SDG&E and transmitted by SDG&E. Direct access electricity is produced elsewhere in the region but ultimately transmitted to the consumer by SDG&E. Natural gas produces CO<sub>2</sub>e regardless of source.

#### **Transportation**

Transportation emissions are based on vehicle miles traveled (VMT) for vehicles and off-road equipment. GIS-based 2011 VMT data from SANDAG for all roadways was used. All roadways including the zone connectors were used. The SANDAG data is reported as daily weekday VMT. This was converted to annual VMT by multiplying it by 347, as recommended by CARB.<sup>10</sup> The total annual VMT in 2011 was 510,973,969 vehicle miles traveled.

CARB's latest model, EMFAC2011, is made up of three modules: -SG, -LDV, and -HD. The SG module covers all vehicle types, while LDV calculates light duty vehicles and HD calculates heavy duty vehicles. Appendix B provides a more detailed explanation of how CO<sub>2</sub>e were calculated using each module. As inputs, emissions from local roadway VMT and freeway VMT were determined separately.

Off-road emissions in Carlsbad include lawn and garden equipment, construction equipment, industrial equipment, and light commercial equipment. While CARB's OFFROAD2007 model generates emission outputs for 16 categories across San Diego County, only the off-road emissions listed above are included, as they generate the most emissions in Carlsbad in this category. The CO<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions were calculated in short tons per day for the county. These emissions were then pro-rated by the city's share of the county population, multiplied by 365 days, and converted to metric tons.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> CARB recommends that 347 be used instead of 365 to convert from average daily VMT to annual VMT to account for less travel on weekends.

#### **Solid Waste**

The default values in the CACP were used for solid waste emissions. For methane emissions from the one landfill in the city limits—the closed Palomar Airport Landfill—the same data from the 2005 community inventory was used, as it was unlikely to have changed substantially, if at all.<sup>11</sup>

For emissions from solid waste disposed of in Carlsbad and taken to landfills elsewhere, 2011 data for Carlsbad was obtained from CalRecycle. The composition of waste was estimated from the latest such survey, the 2008 CalRecycle Statewide Waste Characterization Study, which has averages for the southern region of California. The amount of average daily cover, which is made of plant debris, was also entered.

#### Wastewater Treatment

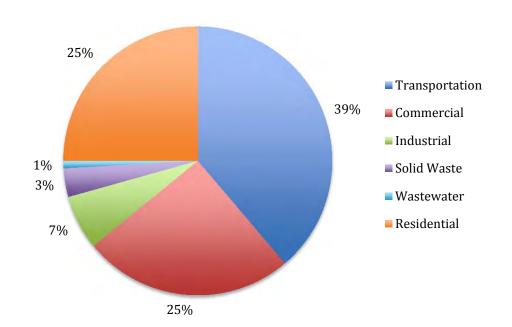
Emissions from methane and nitrous oxide generated in the process of wastewater treatment were determined using the University of San Diego's EPIC (Energy Policy Initiatives Center) model. The EPIC estimate of GHG emissions from countywide wastewater treatment was used and pro-rated to Carlsbad's share of the county population.

#### **Total Community Emissions**

The total community GHG emissions were  $705,744 \text{ MTCO}_2\text{e}$  in 2011. Table 2-2 summarizes the sources and quantities of community emissions, and Figure 2-1 shows the emissions graphically by sector. The largest sector is transportation, at 39 percent, followed by commercial and industrial (32 percent), residential (25 percent), solid waste (3 percent) and wastewater (1 percent).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> In November 2014, city staff contacted the County of San Diego Public Works Department in response to a comment on the draft CAP. County staff reported that for 2011, it calculated GHG emissions from Palomar landfill at 6,703 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e. Although it is unknown why the reported figure is higher than the assumed figure for the city's GHG inventory update, County staff did note that their GHG calculation methodology had changed in 2010. The difference in the County's calculations of GHG emissions from Palomar landfill does not have a material effect on the assumptions, conclusions, or recommendations of this CAP.

Figure 2-1: 2011 Community GHG Emissions by Sector (MTCO<sub>2</sub>e)



Sector	Subsector	Emissions
	Bundled Electricity	92,500
	Bundled Natural Gas	83,698
	Direct Access Electricity	81
	Direct Access Natural Gas	126
Residential	Total Residential	176,405
	Bundled Electricity	125,314
	Bundled Natural Gas	37,731
	Direct Access Electricity	11,701
	Direct Access Natural Gas	3,966
Commercial	Total Commercial	178,712
	Bundled Electricity	29,329
	Bundled Natural Gas	-
	Direct Access Electricity	8,765
	Direct Access Natural Gas	8,154
Industrial	Total Industrial	46,248
	On-Road Total	239,467
	Lawn and Garden Equipment	2,449
	Construction Equipment	23,830
	Industrial Equipment	4,943
	Light Commercial Equipment	3,056
	Off-Road Subtotal	34,279
Transportation	Total Transportation	273,745
	Community-generated solid waste	21,719
	Landfill Waste-in-Place	2,598
Solid Waste	Total Solid Waste	24,317
Wastewater	Total Community-generated Wastewater	6,317
GRAND TOTAL		705,744

Figure 2-2 shows the emission by source for the three largest sectors: residential, commercial and industrial, and transportation. The largest individual sources are on-road transportation, bundled commercial and industrial electricity, and bundled residential electricity.

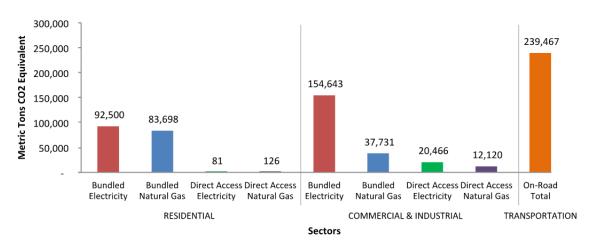


Figure 2-2: 2011 Community GHG Emissions by Source for Three Largest Sectors (MTCO₂e)

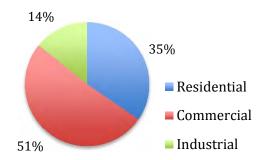
### **Emissions By Source**

#### **Electricity**

Electricity emissions account for 38 percent of the total emissions. Table 2-3 and Figure 2-3 show electricity use by sector—commercial sector consumes more than half of all electricity in Carlsbad, followed by residential sector, which accounts for just over a third of total electricity use.

TABLE 2-3: ELECTRICITY EMISSIONS BY SECTOR (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)		
Sector	2011 Emissions	
Residential	92,581	
Commercial	137,015	
Industrial	38,093	

Figure 2-3: Electricity Emissions by Sector

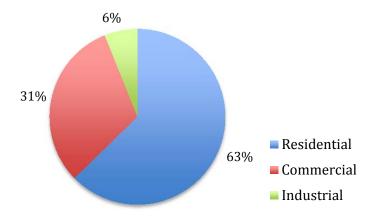


#### **Natural Gas**

Natural gas use accounts for 19 percent of total emissions in Carlsbad. The residential sector accounts for 63 percent of natural gas use, while the commercial sector accounts for 31 percent. Table 2-4 and Figure 2-4 show natural gas use emissions by sector.

TABLE 2-4: NATURAL GAS EMISSIONS BY SECTOR (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)		
Sector	2011 Emissions	
Residential	83,824	
Commercial	41,697	
Industrial	8,154	

Figure 2-4: Natural Gas Emissions by Sector



# **Change Between 2005 and 2011 Community Emissions**

Total community emissions in 2005 were 630,310 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e compared with 705,744 in 2011. The increase in total GHG emissions of 12 percent in the period parallels the population and jobs increase, as well as the service population increase (the number of residents plus number of jobs). While total GHG emissions have increased, emissions per service population (population plus workers) have held steady since 2005. Table 2-5 summarizes these changes.

TABLE 2-5: POPULATION AND JOBS, 2005 AND 2011					
	2005	2011	% Change		
Carlsbad Population <sup>a, b</sup>	94,961	106,403	12.0%		
Carlsbad - # of Jobs <sup>c</sup>	59,309	66,417	12.0%		
Carlsbad – Service Population <sup>d</sup>	154,270	172,820	12.0%		
GHG Emissions (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)	630,310	705,744	12.0%		
Emissions per Service Population	4.09	4.08	-0.1%		

a. 2011 population from the California Department of Finance, Table E-5.

Table 2-6 shows the source of growth in emissions. The largest increase in emissions came from commercial electricity usage (37% of increase), followed by residential electricity usage (29%). All other emissions increased at a slower pace than the rate of population growth, with emissions from residential natural gas consumption increasing by 9 percent, and all other sources increasing by 5 percent, or decreasing, in the case of roadway emissions.

For electricity, the increase was largely caused by the increase (35%) in the CO<sub>2</sub> generated by SDG&E electricity since 2005. For example, residential electricity consumption increased by 10 percent but emissions from that source increased by 29 percent. Commercial electricity consumption went up by 8 percent while related emissions increased by 37 percent—an even higher increase as some commercial customers in the greater San Diego region switched from cleaner direct access electricity to sources producing more CO<sub>2</sub>.

TABLE 2-6: SOURCES OF GROWTH IN GHG EMISSIONS (METRIC TONS CO2E)				
Source	2005 CO2e	2011 CO2e	Growth	% of Growth
Commercial-Electric	98,352	137,015	38,663	37%
Residential-Electric	62,290	92,581	30,291	29%
Residential-NG	74,137	83,824	9,688	9%
Roads	260,467	239,467	-21,000	-8%
Industrial-Electric	32,417	38,093	5,676	5%
Commercial-NG	36,259	41,697	5,438	5%
Off Road	28,963	34,279	5,315	5%
Industrial-NG	3,013	8,154	5,141	5%
Wastewater	4,397	6,317	1,920	2%
Solid Waste	30,015	24,317	-5,698	-5%
TOTAL	630,310	705,744	75,434	

b. The 2005 Inventory used different populations for the community and local government analyses. This is the population used for the community inventory.

c. Numbers from SANDAG.

d. The service population is the total number of residents plus workers

Table 2-7 shows the sources of emissions, ordered by volume of overall contribution. The largest contributor continues to be transportation, but that has declined in proportion as emissions from building energy consumption have grown faster. These sources—roadway VMT, off-road vehicles, and private electricity and natural gas consumption—account for 96 percent of Carlsbad's communitywide GHG emissions.

TABLE 2-7: GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS SUMMARY BY SECTOR (METRIC TONS CO2E)				
Sector	2005	% of Total	2011	% of Total
Transportation	289,431	46%	273,745	39%
Commercial / Industrial	170,041	27%	224,960	32%
Residential	136,427	22%	176,405	25%
Solid Waste	30,015	5%	24,317	3%
Wastewater	4,397	1%	6,317	1%
TOTAL	630,310		705,744	

### 2.3 Government Operations Inventory

Government operations represent a small portion (1.2%; see end of this section) of the communitywide GHG emissions. However, more detailed information is available to characterize GHG emissions by source and sector. The city has the ability to directly influence emissions from government operations, and can provide community leadership in reducing GHG emissions. As described before, the four sectors included in the government operations inventory are buildings and facilities, vehicle fleet, public lighting, and water and wastewater transport.

# **Buildings and Facilities**

The inputs for this sector are electricity and natural gas. Data was entered by individual facility along with departmental information. Table 2-8 lists all of the buildings and facilities operated by the city and electricity and natural gas inputs.

TABLE 2-8: BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES INPUTS; 2011			
Department	Building	Electricity (kWh)	Natural gas (therms)
City	City Administration	1,203,726	1,738
City	City Hall	233,680	5,313
City	Farmers Insurance Bldgs	112,057	-
City	Hawthorne Equipment Bldg	10,040	-
City Total		1,559,503	7,051
Community Development	Hiring Center	6,972	-

Department	Building	Electricity (kWh)	Natural gas (therms)
Community Development	Las Palmas	55,570	-
Community Development Total		62,542	
Fire	Fire Station No. 1	63,600	1,358
Fire	Fire Station No. 2	32,643	1,069
Fire	Fire Station No. 3	33,972	675
Fire	Fire Station No. 4	28,867	1,062
Fire	Fire Station No. 5	98,720	2,061
Fire	Fire Station No. 6	55,180	1,464
Fire Total		312,982	7,689
Golf Course	The Crossings	1,056,015	18,019
Library	Cole Library	430,160	2,119
Library	Cultural Arts Department	14,444	321
Library	Dove Library	1,432,492	11,200
Library	Library Learning Center	192,000	421
Library Total		2,069,096	14,061
PD/Fire	Safety Center	988,001	19,816
Public Works	City Yard	88,335	729
Public Works	CMWD M&O	189,440	86
Public Works	Fleet Yard	72,320	456
Public Works	Parks Maintenance	39,694	149
Public Works Total		389,789	1,420
Recreation	Calavera Community Center	54,970	-
Recreation	Carrillo Ranch	58,080	-
Recreation	Harding Community Center	60,120	952
Recreation	Parks Total	914,888	3,006
Recreation	Senior Center	308,318	3,349
Recreation	Stagecoach Community Center	195,920	1,424
Recreation	Swim Complex	247,240	34,266
Recreation	Trails	65,929	-
Recreation Total		1,905,465	42,997
Housing and Neighborhoo	od Services	31,277	-
TOTAL		8,374,670	111,053

#### VEHICLE FLEET

The inputs for this sector are all vehicles used by the city. The key data used are fuel consumed and VMT, broken out by model year, vehicle type, and fuel type. CACP uses fuel consumption to calculate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and VMT to calculate NO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions.

Although the vehicle fleet data from the city was broken down by department, the inputs were loaded into CACP as a single set for the entire city due to the time-consuming nature of processing and entering this very detailed information.

Table 2-9 summarizes the inputs by vehicle and fuel type. Gasoline accounted for the largest amount of fuel consumption (167,345 gallons) and greatest vehicle miles traveled (1,965,416 VMT).

TABLE 2-9: GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS VEHICLE FLEET INPUTS		
	2011	
	Fuel (gal)	VMT
Diesel	62,407	407,826
Light Truck/SUV/Pickup	31,162	298,388
Heavy Truck	31,245	109,438
Gasoline	167,345	1,965,416
Light Truck/SUV/Pickup	76,663	938,733
Passenger Car	85,874	931,979
Motorcycle	1,787	74,024
Heavy Truck	3,021	20,680
Hybrid	3,581	137,096
Passenger Car	2,478	108,136
Light Truck/SUV/Pickup	1,103	28,960

For the analysis in CACP, motorcycle inputs were grouped under passenger cars and hybrid fuel consumption was included with gasoline. Hybrid VMT was assumed at one-third of listed mileage to account for the likely reality of most hybrid miles being under electric power during low speed driving on local streets.

### **Public Lighting**

This sector covers electricity consumed from three sources: traffic signals, streetlights, and other outdoor lighting. As shown in Table 2-10, streetlights make up the great majority of electricity consumption in this sector. Between 2005 and 2011, the city retrofitted its existing streetlights with more energy-efficient lamps.

TABLE 2-10: PUBLIC LIGHTING INPUTS (KWH)		
	2011	% of Total
Streetlights	4,403,265	85%
Traffic Signals/Controllers	768,784	15%
Outdoor Lighting	17,740	<1%
TOTAL	5,189,789	

#### **Water and Wastewater Transport**

This sector covers fuel consumed by pumps and other mechanisms used to convey water and wastewater: water delivery pumps, sprinklers and irrigation, sewage pumps, and recycled water pump stations. These systems all consumed electricity plus a small amount (170 gallons) of diesel fuel for water delivery generators.

Table 2-11 shows the electricity consumed by the city's water and wastewater transport systems in 2011. The greatest electricity consumption is from sewage pumps (53 percent), followed by recycle pump stations (34 percent), water delivery pumps (12 percent), and sprinklers and irrigation (1 percent).

TABLE 2-11: WASTE AND WASTEWATER TRANSPORT INPUTS (KWH)		
	2011	% of Total
Sewage Pumps	1,262,824	53%
Recycle Pump Stations	791,732	34%
Water Delivery Pumps	285,345	12%
Sprinklers/Irrigation	22,554	1%
TOTAL	2,362,455	

# **Inventory Results**

### **Emissions by Sector**

Government operations in 2011 generated an estimated 8,205 metric tons  $CO_2e$  in GHG emissions, as shown in Table 2-12. Emissions for government operations mainly came from buildings and facilities (42%) and the vehicle fleet (27%), followed by public lighting (21%) and water and wastewater transportation (10%).

TABLE 2-12: GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS EMISSIONS BY SECTOR (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)		
Source	2011	% of Total
Buildings and Facilities	3,410	42%
Vehicle Fleet	2,253	27%
Public Lighting	1,747	21%
Water and Wastewater Transport	795	10%
TOTAL	8,205	

#### **Emissions by Source**

Most of the government operations emissions came from electricity consumption, accounting for 65 percent of emissions, as shown in Table 2-13. Gasoline produced about 19 percent of emissions, followed by diesel/propane (8 percent), natural gas (7 percent) and mobile refrigerants (1 percent).

TABLE 2-13: EMISSIONS BY SOURCE (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)		
Source	2011	% of Total
Electricity	5,362	65.4%
Gasoline	1,538	18.7%
Diesel / Propane	641	7.8%
Natural Gas	590	7.2%
Mobile Refrigerants	74	0.9%
TOTAL	8,205	

# **Comparison of Government Operations to Citywide Emissions**

Table 2-14 shows a comparison of the government operations to citywide emissions. Government operations account for a very small portion of GHG emissions in 2011, comprising about 1.2 percent of emissions.

TABLE 2-14: GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS EMISSIONS VS COMMUNITY EMISSIONS (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)		
	2011	
Government operations emissions	8,205	
Community emissions	705,744	
Government operations as proportion of community emissions	1.2%	

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# Greenhouse Gas Reduction Target, Forecasts, and Emissions "Gap"

This chapter describes the greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction targets provided by state law, provides a baseline forecast of community GHG emissions, and models forecasts of future community and local government GHG emissions through 2035. The chapter also quantifies GHG reductions from (1) state and federal actions and (2) the updated Draft General Plan policies and actions, and applies these reductions to the community forecast. The emissions "gap" between the forecasts (with GHG reductions) and the emissions targets is addressed by the Climate Action Plan (CAP) GHG reduction strategies in Chapter 4.

# 3.1 GHG Reduction Target

# Governor's Executive Order S-3-05 and the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006

Executive Order S-3-05 (EO S-3-05) and the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (AB 32) provide the basis for the CAP's GHG emissions targets. EO S-3-05 commits California to reduce its GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and to 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050. AB 32 codifies the 2020 target and tasks CARB with developing a plan to achieve this target.

CARB first approved the Scoping Plan in 2008, which provides guidance for local communities to meet AB 32 and EO S-3-05 targets. The Scoping Plan recommends that local governments target 2020 emissions at 15 percent below 2005 levels to account for emissions growth since 1990, as proxy for 1990 emissions, since few localities know those levels.

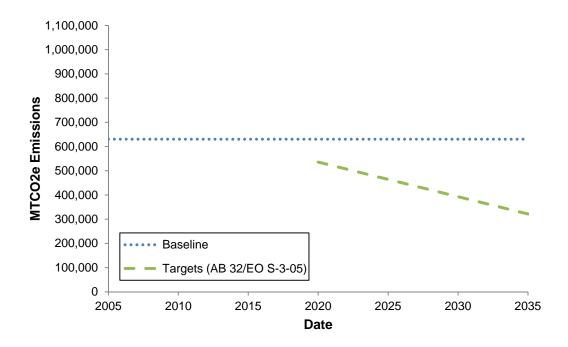
Total Carlsbad GHG emissions from the 2005 inventory were 630,310 metric tons carbon dioxide equivalents (MTCO<sub>2</sub>e) per year. Therefore, the 2020 target under State guidance is a 15 percent reduction from 2005 emissions, which corresponds to a target of 535,763 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e.

The long range 2050 target set by EO S-3-05 is an 80 percent reduction from 2020 emissions target, which represents the level scientists believe is necessary to stabilize the climate. The 2050 target for Carlsbad is citywide emissions of  $107,153~MTCO_2e$ . This is a substantial decrease in overall emissions, over  $500,000~MTCO_2e$  below baseline 2005 emissions levels. While CARB's Scoping Plan does not specifically set target levels for intermediate years between 2020 and 2050, the Scoping Plan recommends a linear progression in annual GHG emissions reductions to meet the final targets.

The horizon year for this CAP is 2035, corresponding with the Draft General Plan horizon. The CAP uses a linear trajectory in emissions reductions between 2020 and 2050 to determine the 2035, target. Table 3-1 summarizes these emissions targets and the percentage reduction from 2005 emissions. Figure 3-1 graphs the emissions targets, following a linear trajectory, from 2020 to 2035. As can be seen, the baseline exceeds the 2020 reduction target by 15 percent, and the 2035 target by 49 percent.

TABLE 3-1: 2005 EMISSIONS AND EMISSIONS TARGETS		
Year	GHG Emissions and Targets	Reduction From 2005 Baseline
2005	630,310 MTCO₂e	N/A
2020	535,763 MTCO₂e	15 percent
2035	321,458 MTCO₂e	49 percent

Figure 3-1: 2005 Emissions and Emissions Targets

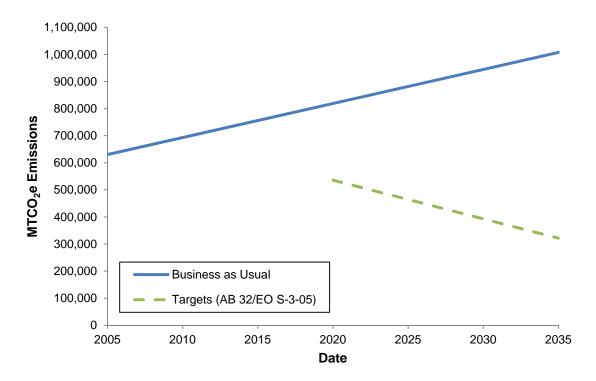


#### 3.2 Business as Usual Forecast

The business as usual (BAU) forecast estimates emissions through the year 2035, based on the growth in emissions from the 2005 to 2011 citywide inventory. The increase in community emissions from 2005 to 2011 was linearly projected outward to the year 2035. The BAU forecast simply assumes that emissions will increase in the future at the same growth rate that occurred between the 2005 and 2011 citywide inventories. Thus, BAU emissions are forecast to reach 1,007,473 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in the year 2035.

Figure 3-2 shows the difference between emissions under the business as usual forecast and the 2020 and 2035 emissions targets.





# 3.3 Community Forecast with General Plan Land Use and Circulation System

#### Methodology

The Statewide Energy Efficiency Collaborative model (SEEC) is used to predict community GHG emissions across all sectors to 2035. A product of the collaborative, this tool is based on the International Council for Environmental Initiatives' (ICLEI's) Clean Air and Climate Protection (CACP) model used to estimate the 2005 and 2011 emissions inventories. The primary reason for using SEEC rather than CACP is that SEEC includes the effects of the Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) and Pavley I Fuel Economy Standards, whereas CACP requires manual adjustment to account for the state-mandated electrical production and fuel efficiency improvements. Section 3.4 quantifies other state and federal actions that reduce GHG emissions and incorporates these actions into the forecast.

The SEEC community forecast predicts all direct GHG emissions<sup>12</sup> from sources within the boundaries of the City of Carlsbad, including fuel combusted in the community<sup>13</sup> and direct emissions from landfills within the community. Indirect emissions associated with the consumption of energy that is generated outside the borders of the city are also included. Other indirect or embodied emissions are not covered in the forecast, in accordance with ICLEI standards. The SEEC community forecast tallies emissions from seven sectors:

- Residential
- Commercial
- Industrial
- Transportation
- Solid Waste
- Landfills<sup>14</sup>
- Wastewater

The emissions projected in the SEEC community forecast use the activity data (or usage) from the 2005 community inventory as an initial value, and the 2011 inventory to provide an intermediate value to adjust the model. The predicted growth in each sector is then added into the model to project future emissions. The following section describes how the predicted growth in each section was determined.

 $<sup>^{12}</sup>$  GHGs considered in the report are carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O), and hydrofluorocarbons. The emissions have been converted to carbon dioxide equivalents (CO<sub>2</sub>e), which converts the three other GHGs into the equivalent volume of carbon dioxide.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> This does not include the Encina Power Station, for reasons described in Chapter 2.

<sup>14</sup> The 2011 inventory considered landfill emissions as part of solid waste. The SEEC model separates out landfills from solid waste as an emissions source, so the separation has been preserved in this chapter.

#### **Inputs**

#### Residential

Emissions from the residential sector are from electricity and natural gas demand. The growth in residential electricity and natural gas consumption was assumed to scale with population growth, estimated at 0.9 percent per year thorough 2035, based on General Plan buildout estimates.

#### Commercial

The increase in commercial demand for electricity and natural gas was assumed to scale with the General Plan employment forecasts to 2035 in the commercial sector by land use category: commercial, hotel, office, and other, including construction and transportation-related employment. For 2010 to 2035, an annual growth of 1.1 percent was used.

#### Industrial

The growth rate in industrial electricity and natural gas demand was based on General Plan employment forecasts to 2035 in the industrial sector. An annual growth rate of 0.8 percent was used through 2035.

#### Transportation—With General Plan Land Use and Circulation System

Transportation emissions are based on the emissions associated with VMT. The VMT projections were taken from SANDAG GIS models of regional VMT projections clipped to the city boundaries and adjusted to remove through trips, or trips that did not originate nor end within city boundaries. The SANDAG data was reported as daily weekday VMT. This was converted to annual VMT by multiplying it by 347, as recommended by CARB. 16

The VMT forecasts incorporate GHG reductions from General Plan land use projections and new roadway construction thorough 2035. These VMT forecasts reflect the General Plan land use patterns, include the effects of compact and infill, mixed-use, and transit-oriented development, and the protection of open space. New roadway construction includes the effects of street extensions and citywide traffic signalization. The land use projections and new roadway construction are described in detail in the General Plan.

The SEEC model automatically incorporates the effect of Pavley I Fuel Economy Standards. Table 3-2 shows the citywide VMT for 2011 and projected VMT forecast, used to estimate transportation emissions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Excluding through trips removes much of the regional traffic through the Interstate 5 Freeway.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> 347 was used instead of 365 to average out the effect of a dip in traffic during the weekend.

TABLE 3-2: 2011 VMT AND PROJECTED 2020 AND 2035 VMT <sup>17</sup>		
Year Vehicle Miles Traveled		
2011	510,973,969	
2020	560,972,562	
2035	651,739,086	

#### Solid Waste

Waste emissions from solid waste disposed of in Carlsbad and taken to landfills elsewhere, was assumed to scale with population growth at 0.9 percent per year through 2035.

#### Landfill

Emissions from the landfill sector are an estimate of methane generation from the anaerobic decomposition of all organic waste sent to a landfill. Within city boundaries, landfill emissions are comprised of leaking methane from the closed Palomar Airport Landfill. Currently, most of the methane generated at this capped landfill is captured. The EPA estimates 95 percent methane capture rate for capped landfills and estimates that emissions follow a first-order exponential decay. Therefore, baseline landfill emissions were estimated to decrease exponentially over time, at a decay rate of 5 percent over 10 years to 2035, the largest allowed percentage decrease in the model.

#### Wastewater

The Carlsbad Municipal Water District's 2010 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) was used to determine the growth in emissions from wastewater treatment. The demand for wastewater treatment was assumed to scale with projected 2035 water deliveries listed in the UWMP. The UWMP includes the effect of conservation policies. Table 3-3 shows water deliveries and annual growth rates used in the forecast.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> VMT includes the effect of an additional 327 units above the growth cap in the Northwest Quadrant by 2035, as shown in the 2014 Draft General Plan. While the City Council will adjust housing sites or densities at adoption time so that the development cap is not breached, the inclusion of these units in the CAP represents a conservative estimate that leads to a slightly higher VMT (and corresponding GHG emissions) above levels anticipated under General Plan that would be adopted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Carlsbad Municipal Water District serves the majority of the city, with the exception of the southeast corner of the City, which is served by Olivenhain Municipal Water District, and Vallecitos Water District. The changes in water demand from the UWMP were assumed to be representative of the city as a whole for the purposes of the SEEC model.

TABLE 3-3: PROJECTED UWMP WATER DELIVERY, USED TO DETERMINE WASTEWATER EMISSIONS			
Year	Water Delivery (acre-feet per year, all sectors)	Annual Percentage Growth	
2005	19,759	-	
2010	15,076	-5.3%	
2020	20,529	3.1%	
2030	21,147	0.3%	
2035	22,122	0.9%	

Source: 2010 Carlsbad Municipal Urban Water Management Plan

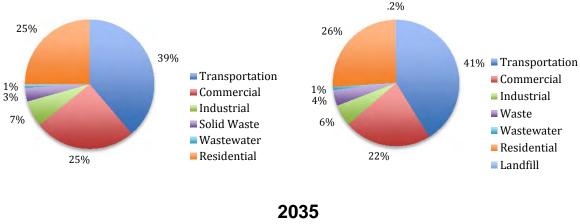
#### Results

Table 3-4 shows the emissions from the SEEC community forecast for each sector—residential, commercial, industrial, transportation, solid waste, landfill, and wastewater—and the sum total community emissions. The forecast includes the reduction from RPS and Pavley I Fuel Economy Standards, which are quantified separately in Section 3.5, below. The forecast also includes the effect of the General Plan land use and circulation system on transportation emissions (compact, infill, mixed-use, and transit-oriented development, open space protection, new traffic signals and roadway extensions). The Carlsbad General Plan EIR quantifies the reduction in VMT due to the proposed General Plan in comparison to higher VMT under the existing General Plan (the No Project alternative).

The greatest projected emissions continue to be from the transportation sector, which accounts for 41 percent of emissions in 2020 and 36 percent of emissions in 2035. Residential emissions are the next largest sector, with 26 percent of emissions in 2020 and 28 percent of the total in 2035. Commercial, industrial, and solid waste, wastewater, and landfill emissions are the next largest sectors in order of total emissions.

TABLE 3-4: COMMUNITY FORECAST EMISSIONS BY SECTOR, 2011, 2020, AND 2035 (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)			
Sector	2011	2020	2035
Residential	176,405	145,419	163,881
Commercial	178,712	126,431	148,978
Industrial	46,248	31,278	35,249
Transportation	273,745	234,113	210,568
Solid Waste	21,719	23,073	26,002
Landfill	2,598	1,204	558
Wastewater	6,317	4,355	4,601
TOTAL	705,744	565,873	589,837

Figure 3-3: Comparison of Emissions by Sector in 2011, 2020 and 2035 2011 2020



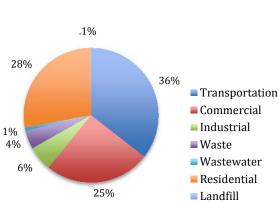


Figure 3-4 shows the change in SEEC-modeled community forecast emissions over time. Total emissions are projected to decrease from 705,744 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2011 to 565,873 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2020 (a decrease of 20 percent). The initial drop in emissions is mostly caused by the implementation of the RPS, which causes a decrease in residential, commercial, and industrial emissions, and Pavley I Fuel Economy Standards, which decrease transportation emissions. Over time, the decreases in emissions from an increased amount of renewable power usage and fuel efficiency improvements are canceled out by population growth, which cause emissions to increase from 2020 values to 589,873 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2035 (an increase of 4 percent).

In 2020, the total emissions of 565,873 are about 30,000 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e above the AB 32 target emissions. The following section quantifies GHG reductions from State and Federal actions and applies them to the emissions forecast.

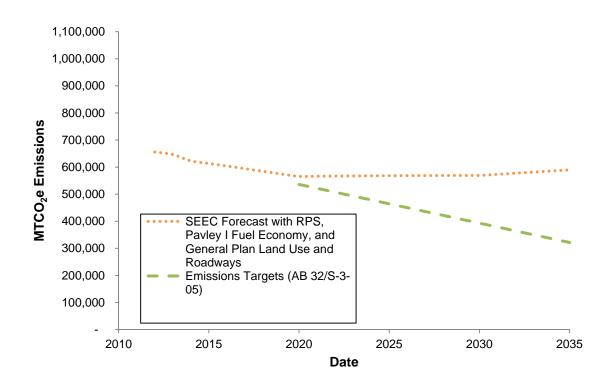


Figure 3-4: Community Forecast with RPS, Pavley I Fuel Economy Standards, and General Plan Land Use and Roadways

#### 3.4 Government Operations Forecast

#### Methodology

The SEEC government operations forecast, which is a subset of the community forecast, covers direct emissions from the sources the City of Carlsbad owns and/or controls. The emissions from government operations are included in the totals shown in Table 3-4 and Figure 3-4 above. This section separates out emissions from government operations for accounting purposes. The government operations forecast includes mobile combustion of fuel for city vehicles and the use of natural gas to heat city buildings. Indirect emissions associated with the consumption of electricity, steam, heating, or cooling for city operations that are purchased from an outside utility are also forecast. All other indirect emissions sources, including employee commute and the decomposition of government-generated solid waste, are not included as part of the local government forecast, but rather are counted in the community forecast. The government operations inventory covers emissions from the following sectors:

Buildings and Facilities

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- Vehicle Fleet
- Public Lighting
- Water Delivery Facilities
- Wastewater Transport

The government operations forecast uses 2005 inventory to represent baseline emissions, and the 2011 inventory to provide an intermediate value to adjust the model.

Within each sector, certain types of emissions are assumed to scale with population growth, projected to grow at 0.9 percent annually through 2035, while other types of emissions are expected to remain constant or decrease with efficiency improvements. The following sections describe the assumptions underlying the forecast growth rates for each government operations sector.

#### **Buildings and Facilities**

The 2005 and 2011 inventories of emissions from all buildings and facilities operated by the city were used to determine the future growth for this sector. The natural gas and electricity demands were assumed to scale with population for departments such as Police, Fire, and Parks and Recreation, while others, such as Administration and Utilities, would remain staffed at current levels. These growth rates were then combined to determine an aggregate annual growth rate of 0.7 percent, which was applied to the buildings and facilities sector.

#### Vehicle Fleet

An estimate of the growth in the number of City employees was used to determine City fleet use. The growth in fleet emissions beyond 2011 was estimated by assuming—similar to the Buildings and Facilities sector—that certain departments would scale with population growth, while others would remain staffed at current levels. These growth rates were then combined to determine an aggregate annual growth rate of 0.6 percent, which was applied to the city fleet sector.

#### **Public Lighting**

From 2005 to 2011, electricity use for streetlights decreased approximately 4 percent due to the installation of some energy-saving induction streetlights. Following the completion of the installation of all induction streetlights, the City's electricity demand for streetlights was further reduced, which is reflected in the forecast energy demands for this sector.

#### Water Delivery and Wastewater

The increased demand for energy usage for water delivery and wastewater was assumed to be proportional to the amount of water delivered by the Carlsbad Municipal Water District (CMWD), as projected in the 2010 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP). CMWD's service area covers about 85 percent of the City, and it was assumed that water and wastewater usage in the remaining 15 percent of the City, served by Olivenhain Municipal

Water District and Vallecitos Water District, would follow similar water use patterns as outlined in the 2010 UWMP.

#### Results

The city operations forecast for 2020 and 2035 is shown by sector in Table 3-5. Government operations emissions are projected to decrease from the 2011 inventory total of 8,205 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e to 5,185 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2020. The decrease in emissions is primarily due to the implementation of the RPS and the fuel efficiency gains from Pavley I standards. Emissions are forecast to then increase at a low rate through the year 2035 to 5,922 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e, due to projected increases in city staff in select departments to accommodate an increased need for city services.

The relative contribution of each sector to the total city operations emissions is generally constant over time. The two largest emissions sectors are buildings and facilities, comprising about 40 percent of total emissions, and fleet emissions, which are approximately 33 percent of the total emissions. Streetlights are about 15 percent of total emissions, followed by wastewater facilities at 8 percent, and water delivery facilities at 1 percent. Overall, government operations emissions are forecast to remain a small portion of community emissions, about 0.9 percent in 2020 and 1 percent in 2035. Chapter 4 discusses mitigation measures that will reduce government operations emissions.

TABLE 3-5: GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS EMISSIONS INVENTORY (2011) AND 2020, 2035 FORECAST (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)				
Sector 2011 2020 2035				
Building & Facilities	3,410	2,192	2,409	
Streetlights	1,747	902	902	
Water Delivery Facilities	79	71	76	
Wastewater Facilities	716	470	506	
Fleet	2,253	2,092	2,029	
TOTAL 8,205 5,185 5,922			5,922	

# 3.5 GHG Reductions to Community Forecast from State and Federal Actions

#### Methodology

GHG reductions from state and federal actions and other trends to the community forecast are quantified in this section. These reductions include the following:

- Renewable Portfolio Standard
- Pavley I fuel economy standards

- Low Carbon Fuel Standard
- Title 24 building efficiency improvements
- Reductions in VMT from rising gasoline prices<sup>19</sup>

The GHG reductions from these factors were quantified using the EPIC mitigation calculator. The Energy Policy Initiatives Center (EPIC) at the University of San Diego developed this model to create business-as-usual projections, set targets, and calculate levels of mitigation measures for all local jurisdictions in the San Diego region. As the EPIC model was developed specifically for cities within San Diego County and the mitigation calculator calculates the effect of the federal and statewide reductions, it was selected to quantify these policies and actions. GHG reductions from the RPS and Pavley I fuel economy standards were accounted for in the SEEC model; however, they are quantified separately in this section for informational purposes.

#### Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS)

California's RPS, established in 2002 by the California State Senate in Senate Bill 1078, accelerated in 2006 and expanded in 2011, is one of the most ambitious renewable energy standards in the country. The RPS requires that investor-owned utilities like SDG&E supply 33 percent of their electricity from renewable resources by 2020. While a renewable portfolio standard past 2020 has not been established, the assumption used in the EPIC mitigation calculator was that the 33 percent renewable standard would be extended through the year 2035—a conservative assumption, given that this is targeted to already be attained by 2020. Table 3-6 lists the reductions from the RPS in 2020 and 2035.

TABLE 3-6: RPS GHG REDUCTIONS		
Year	MTCO₂e Reductions	
2020	48,962	
2035	36,160	

#### Pavley I Fuel Economy Standards

In 2009, CARB adopted amendments to the Pavley regulations to reduce GHG emissions in new passenger vehicles from 2009 to 2016. The standards set became the model for the updated Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards set by the US EPA. The emissions reductions from the improved fuel efficiency standards were calculated using the EPIC mitigation calculator, and were phased in following the 2011 inventory. Table 3-7 lists the emissions reductions from Pavley I fuel economy standards in 2020 and 2035. These reductions are already quantified and applied in the SEEC community forecast, and have been listed separately here for reference purposes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> The rise in gasoline prices are not a result of any state or federal policy or action, but are included in this section as part of a larger systemic trend forecast to occur regardless of other emission reduction measures.

TABLE 3-7: PAVLEY I FUEL ECONOMY STANDARD GHG REDUCTIONS		
Year	MTCO₂e Reductions	
2020	40,354	
2035	48,369	

#### Low Carbon Fuel Standard

The Low Carbon Fuel Standard, adopted by CARB, is performance-based and is designed to reduce the GHG intensity of transportation fuels by 10 percent by 2020. The regulation established annual performance standards that fuel producers and importers must meet beginning in 2011. The Low Carbon Fuel Standard applies to all fuels used for transportation in California, including gasoline, diesel fuel, E85, compressed or liquefied natural gas, biogas, and electricity. The Standard is also "lifecycle" based, meaning the entire extraction, recovery, production and transportation of the fuel is taken into account. The default assumption of 10 percent reduction in GHG intensity was assumed to continue through 2035 for the EPIC mitigation calculator. Table 3-8 shows the reductions from the Low Carbon Fuel Standard in 2020 and 2035.

TABLE 3-8: LOW CARBON FUEL STANDARD GHG REDUCTIONS		
Year	MTCO₂e Reductions	
2020	20,545	
2035	14,906	

#### Title 24 Building Efficiency Improvements

Title 24 is California's Building Energy Code, which is updated every three years. In 2010, Title 24 was updated to include the California Green Building Standards Code, referred to as CALGreen. CALGreen requires that new buildings reduce water consumption, increase system efficiencies, divert construction waste from landfills, and install low pollutant-emitting finish materials. CALGreen has mandatory measures that apply to nonresidential and residential construction. The most recent CALGreen code became effective in 2014.

The Title 24 building efficiency improvements determine the effect of the CALGreen code mandatory measures for new building construction using the 2010 code update.<sup>20</sup> Table 3-9 lists the GHG reductions from building efficiency improvements in new construction calculated using the EPIC mitigation calculator in 2020 and 2035.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> The EPIC mitigation calculator is based on the 2010 CALGreen code. The 2014 CALGreen code and subsequent updates will likely result in greater GHG reductions as building efficiency standards improve.

TABLE 3-9: TITLE 24 BUILDING EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS GHG REDUCTIONS		
Year MTCO₂e Reductions		
2020	1,836	
2035	3,582	

#### Reduction in VMT from Rising Gasoline Prices

The U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) collects, analyzes and disseminates independent and impartial energy information, including projections of future gasoline prices. The 2013 EIA gasoline projection estimate a pump price of gasoline of \$4.00 per gallon in 2020 and \$6.00 in 2035 per gallon in California.<sup>21</sup>

The EPIC mitigation calculator measures emissions reductions from changes in fuel consumption as a result of gasoline price increases. The reductions in GHG emissions based on the Energy Information Administration gasoline prices are shown in Table 3-10. Although the projected rise in gasoline prices is not the direct result of a federal or state policy, this effect was considered in this section, as it is a larger systemic trend that is forecast to occur regardless of other emissions reductions measures.

TABLE 3-10: GHG REDUCTIONS FROM RISING GASOLINE PRICES		
Year	MTCO₂e Reductions	
2020	12,201	
2035	71,316	

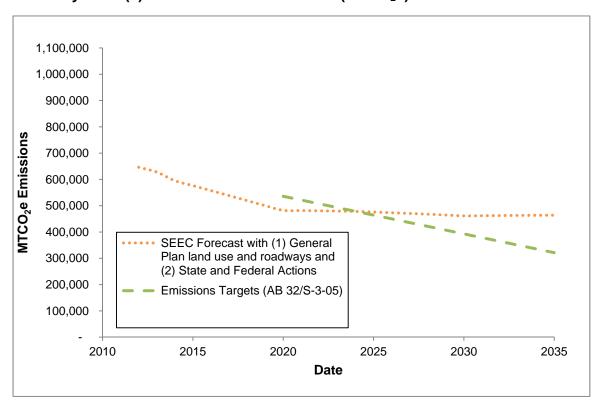
#### **RESULTS**

The annual reductions from the above state and federal actions—RPS, Pavley I Fuel Economy Standards, Low Carbon Fuel Standard, Title 24 building efficiency improvements, and the reductions in VMT from rising gasoline prices—were combined. Table 3-11 lists the total SEEC community forecast in 2020 and 2035, juxtaposed with reductions from state and federal actions not accounted for in the SEEC forecast: the Low Carbon Fuel Standard, Title 24 Building Standards, reductions in VMT from higher gasoline prices, and the assumed continuation of the Renewable Portfolio Standard after the year 2020. Figure 3-5 shows the SEEC Forecast with General Plan land use and new roadways, as well as state and federal actions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Both values are listed in 2010 dollars.

Year	Community Forecast Emissions with General Plan Land Use and New Roadways	Low Carbon Fuel Standard Reduction	Title 24 Building Efficiency Improvements	Reductions in VMT from Rising Gasoline Prices	Continuation of Renewable Portfolio Standard, 2020 to 2035*	Total Forecast Emissions with General Plan Land Use and New Roadways & State and Federal Actions
2020	565,873	20,545	1,836	12,201	48,962	482,329
2035	589,837	14,906	3,582	71,316	36,160	463,873
*RPS considered in SEEC forecast through 2020, RPS continuation through 2035 modeled in EPIC						

Figure 3-5: Community Forecast with (1) General Plan Land Use and New Roadways and (2) State and Federal Actions (MTCO<sub>2</sub>e)



## 3.6 Modified Baseline: GHG Reductions from Additional General Plan Policies and Actions

#### Methodology

This section describes General Plan policies and actions that reduce GHG emissions, quantifies emissions reductions, and explains how these policies and actions will be implemented. These reductions are from policies and actions in addition to Pavley I, the RPS, and the General Plan land use and circulation system, which incorporate reductions from "No Project" conditions which are already reflected in the SANDAG modeling discussed previously. The General Plan policies and actions are organized according to the following categories:

- Bikeway System Improvements
- Pedestrian Improvements and Increased Connectivity
- Traffic Calming
- Parking Facilities and Policies
- Transportation Improvements

The California Air Pollution Control Officers Association's (CAPCOA's) Quantifying Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Measures report was developed as a resource for local governments to assess emissions reductions from GHG mitigation measures. This section uses the methodology outlined in the CAPCOA report for each category to quantify emissions reductions from the General Plan policies and actions.<sup>22</sup> The reductions are applied to the community forecast in the following section to get the "modified baseline" forecast.

#### **Bikeway System Improvements**

Bikeway System Improvements	General Plan Policies: 2-P.24, 2-P.25, 2-P.45, 2-P.46, 2-P.53; 3-P.8, 3-P.15, 3-P.16, 3-P.17, 3-P.20, 3- P.21, 3-P.22, 3-P.24, 3-P.25, 3-P.26, 3-	2020 Reduction: <b>164 MTCO₂e</b> 2035 Reduction: <b>147 MTCO₂e</b>
	P.27, 3-P.28, 3-P.29, 3-P.31, 3-P.32, 3- P.33, 3-P.34, 3-P.40; 4-P.40	

#### Policy/Action Description

The Carlsbad Bikeway Master Plan, referenced in the General Plan, recommends the enhancement of the existing bicycle network with the implementation of new Class I bike paths, new Class II bike lanes, and new Class III bike routes, resulting in a 111.5 mile bikeway system. The planned bikeways include the Coastal Rail Trail, a Class I bike path on Carlsbad

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> While many of the policies and actions quantified in the report are project-level in nature, much of the supporting literature is from studies on a citywide, countywide, or regional context. The methodology in this section is based on these regional studies, which is therefore applicable to the General Plan policies and actions listed in this section.

Boulevard at Ponto, two Class II bike lanes – one on Hillside Drive and another on Avenida Encinas, and five Class III bike route projects in the northwest quadrant of the city.

In addition to Bikeway Master Plan recommendations, the Mobility Element identifies the following new connections to improve connectivity in the area:

- A new Class I trail at the terminus of Cannon Road and extending eastward toward the City of Oceanside
- A new Class I trail along the Marron Road alignment between El Camino Real and the City of Oceanside
- A new crossing of the railroad tracks at Chestnut Avenue.

Also, CalTrans' North Coast Corridor Public Works Plan includes, among other improvements, a new North Coast Bike Trail and new bicycle/pedestrian connections across Batiquitos and Agua Hedionda Lagoons.

Finally, the city can install new and enhanced bicycle facilities as opportunities arise in conjunction with street maintenance and rehabilitation, and as part of "road diet" projects.

#### Quantification

An estimated 0.05 percent reduction in transportation GHG emissions is assumed to occur for every two miles of bike lane per square mile in areas with density greater than 2,000 people per square mile.<sup>23</sup> Carlsbad currently has approximately 2,700 people per square mile, greater than the threshold of 2,000 people per square mile.

With the 111.5 miles of bicycle facilities, there would be approximately 2.85 miles of bikeways per square mile, which corresponds to a 0.07 percent reduction in VMT emissions, or about 164 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2020, and 147 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2035.<sup>24</sup>

#### **Implementation**

The bikeway system enhancements will occur incrementally (at approximately .6 miles/ year) through the implementation of the General Plan and planned and opportunistic bikeway improvements (e.g., in conjunction with street maintenance and rehabilitation, or as part of a "road diet"). Improvements will be funded and/or installed as conditions on new private development as well as through the city's multi-year CIP and annual operating budget process. Funding sources may include development impact fees, general funds, local, state, and federal grants.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Cambridge Systematics. Moving Cooler: An Analysis of Transportation Strategies for Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions. Technical Appendices. Prepared for the Urban Land Institute.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> In this chapter, reductions based on a portion of VMT have lower reductions in 2035 than in 2020 because they are assumed to decrease with greater vehicle efficiency standards over time.

#### Pedestrian Improvements and Increased Connectivity

Pedestrian Improvements and Increased Connectivity	General Plan Policies: 2-P.24, 2-P.25, 2-P.45, 2-P.46, 2-P.47, 2- P.48, 2-P.50, 2-P.53, 2-P.72, 2-P.79; 3- P.8, 3-P.16, 3-P.17, 3-P.20, 3-P.21, 3-	2020 Reduction: <b>2,341 MTCO₂e</b> 2035 Reduction: <b>2,106 MTCO₂e</b>
Someoning	P.22, 3-P.16, 3-P.17, 3-P.20, 3-P.21, 3-P.22, 3-P.24, 3-P.25, 3-P.26, 3-P.27, 3-P.28, 3-P.29, 3-P.31, 3-P.32, 3-P.33, 3-P.40; 4-P.40	

#### Policy/Action Description

#### Pedestrian Improvements

Carlsbad has adopted several programs and plans related to improving the walking environment. The city's Pedestrian Master Plan guides the future development and enhancement of pedestrian facilities to ensure that walking becomes an integral mode of transportation in Carlsbad. The Carlsbad Residential Traffic Management Program provides a mechanism for community members to report issues relating to speeding and traffic volumes on residential roadways, assisting the city in "calming" traffic in these areas to make them more comfortable for pedestrian travel.

Physical barriers to pedestrian access include gaps in sidewalks, high-volume, high-speed streets, a circuitous roadway system in several parts of the city, and regional infrastructure such as freeways and railways that presents barriers to pedestrian mobility. There are four significant concentrations of high pedestrian improvement needs across the City of Carlsbad, including the following locations:

- The entire northwest quadrant, especially the Carlsbad Village area
- The southern coastal area along Carlsbad Boulevard, between Cannon Road and La Costa Avenue
- Several locations along El Camino Real, near Camino Vida Roble, Aviara Parkway/Alga Road and La Costa Avenue
- The southeastern portion of the city, stemming from the intersection of La Costa Avenue and Rancho Santa Fe Road

A range of potential improvement projects exists throughout the city, as identified in the pedestrian master plan, to enhance pedestrian mobility, local connectivity, usage, safety and accessibility. These improvements include filling in gaps in sidewalk connectivity, upgrading substandard sidewalks, creating new connections to pedestrian attracting designations (such as access across the railroad track to the beach at Chestnut Avenue, for example), establishing safe routes to school, enhancing crosswalks, installing pedestrian countdown signals, improving signage, and providing ADA improvements.

#### Increased Connectivity

Increasing connectivity in the city is critical to achieving the Carlsbad Community Vision. There are a number of improvements described in the General Plan that will enhance connectivity for bicycles and pedestrians, as noted below:

- Cannon Road east of College Boulevard Provide a bicycle/pedestrian facility that would begin at the current eastern terminus of Cannon Road and continue eastward to the city's eastern boundary.
- Marron Road Connection Provide a bicycle/pedestrian facility that would begin at the current eastern terminus of Marron Road and extend eastward to the city's eastern boundary.
- Additional crossings of Interstate-5 and the railroad Continue to look for opportunities to add crossings of these two barriers and improve east-west connectivity to and from the coast. Key connections will include a crossing at Chestnut Avenue (bicycle, pedestrian, and vehicular) under the freeway and (bicycle and pedestrian) across the railroad, and a Chinquapin Avenue connection (bicycle, pedestrian, and vehicular) over the freeway and (bicycle and pedestrian) across the railroad. Additionally, Caltrans is designing a number of new pedestrian and bicyclist connections along and across Interstate-5 and near the lagoons as part of the Interstate-5 North Coast Corridor Public Works Plan. The city will continue to coordinate with Caltrans on these improvements.
- Improved accessibility to the lagoons and to the coast are envisioned to improve connectivity to those areas.

#### Quantification

Providing an improved pedestrian network and increasing connectivity encourages people to walk more and results in people driving less, causing a reduction in VMT. An estimate of a 1 percent reduction in VMT from pedestrian improvements and connectivity was assumed, which corresponds to a reduction of  $2,341 \, \text{MTCO}_2\text{e}$  in  $2020 \, \text{and} \, 2,106 \, \text{MTCO}_2\text{e}$  in 2035.

#### **Implementation**

Pedestrian improvements and increased connectivity will occur through implementation of the Pedestrian Master Plan, the Residential Traffic Management Program, and the General Plan, and through planned and opportunistic pedestrian improvements (e.g., in conjunction with street maintenance and rehabilitation, or as part of a "road diet"). Improvements will be funded and/or installed as conditions on new private development as well as through the city's multi-year CIP and annual operating budget process. Funding sources may include development impact fees, general funds, local, state, and federal grants.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Center for Clean Air Policy. Transportation Emission Guidebook. http://www.ccap.org/safe/guidebook/guide\_complete.html.

#### **Traffic Calming**

Traffic Calming	General Plan Policies:	2020 Reduction: <b>585 MTCO₂e</b>
	2-P.53; 3-P.16, 3.P-17	2035 Reduction: <b>526 MTCO₂e</b>

#### Policy/Action Description

The Carlsbad Residential Traffic Management Program provides a mechanism for community members to report issues relating to speeding and traffic volumes on residential roadways, assisting the City in "calming" traffic in these areas to make them more safe and comfortable for pedestrian travel. Traffic calming devices include speed tables, speed bumps, roundabouts, and other devices that encourage people to drive more slowly or to walk or bike instead of using a vehicle, especially for short trips in and around residential neighborhoods. The residential traffic management program is implemented by the Transportation Division and funded through the annual budget appropriation process.

#### Quantification

CAPCOA's "Quantifying Greenhouse Mitigation Measures" was used to quantify the effect of traffic calming devices. A 0.25 percent reduction in VMT was assumed to occur from these improvements, which corresponds to a reduction of 585 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2020 and 526 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2035.

#### **Implementation**

The traffic calming improvements will occur through the implementation of the Residential Traffic Management Program and the General Plan.

#### Parking Facilities and Policies

Parking Facilities and Policies	General Plan Policies: 2-P.75, 2-P.83; 3-P.28, 3-P.38, 3-P.39, 3- P.40, 3-P.41	2020 Reduction: <b>4,682 MTCO₂e</b> 2035 Reduction: <b>4,211 MTCO₂e</b>

#### Policy/Action Description

Getting parking right is critical to ensuring the success of any urban area. Inadequate parking is inconvenient and frustrating for businesses and residents. Too much parking underutilizes valuable land, results in lower density development, discourages use of other forms of transportation (such as public transit), spreads out land uses, and creates gaps in store fronts; thereby practically requiring the use of the automobile. Additionally, too much parking also requires more driveways for accessibility, introducing conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles. Overly high parking requirements—particularly in downtown areas or urban cores—can impact the ability to renovate or repurpose older buildings and revitalize activity centers that can be better served and connected by enhancing facilities and amenities for bicyclists and pedestrians. Therefore, it is important to "right size" and manage parking such

that there is enough to support the needs generated by the use, but not so much that it wastes land and impairs other ways of getting around.

The city's Zoning Ordinance provides standards for parking facilities based on development types within the city. To promote "right sizing" of parking facilities, the following techniques are included as part of the General Plan Mobility Element:

- Shared Parking continue to allow uses that have different parking demands at different times of the day to share the same parking facilities. This is an effective way to minimize pavement, allow denser land use, provide for more landscaping, and provide improved walkability within a mixed use area. The best example of shared parking is an office building and an apartment building as office's peak parking demand occurs at 10:00 a.m. and apartment's peak parking demand occurs at 11:00 p.m.
- Collective Parking allow uses in mixed use projects/areas to utilize up to 50 percent of project site's vacant on-street parking to count toward their parking supply requirements.
- Unbundled Parking rather than provide free guaranteed parking, "unbundle" the
  parking from the development and require residents and/or employees to pay for use of
  a parking space.
- Park Once a strategy in destination districts to enable visitors to "park once" and visit a series of destinations. Park once strategies work well in areas like the Village and areas that are well connected by pedestrian and bicycle facilities. The creation of centralized parking areas supports this strategy.
- In Lieu Parking Fees continue strategies in appropriate areas by which developers can contribute fees toward the development of a common parking facility in lieu of providing on-site parking. This works best in downtown or concentrated commercial areas, works well to assist in paying for unified structured parking, and provides developers an opportunity to increase density on their parcels.
- Parking Management Strategies –a business district or businesses manage high demand parking locations and destinations through a number of different strategies including demand pricing, time restrictions, valet parking, and other techniques.
- Public-Private Partnerships –the city, business owners, and developers collaborate to provide both private and public parking opportunities. Instances where this works well include parcels owned by the city, where a private entity comes in and develops, manages, and enforces the parking in these public lots.
- Parking Locater Signs electronic monitoring devices that identify the available parking in a given facility and utilize changeable message signs to assist travelers in identifying available parking locations. Please note that this may require modifications to the city's zoning ordinance to be implemented in some areas of the city.
- Parking Wayfinding Signs signs identifying where public parking is available, which support the "park once" concept.

- Reduced Parking Standards reduce parking standards in areas that are well served by transit, provide shuttle accessibility to the COASTER station, provide parking cash out programs (where employers pay employees to not park on site), or provide other programs that will reduce parking demand.
- Biking Equals Business Program businesses provide bicycle parking or corrals and provide incentives to encourage their patrons and employees to ride rather than drive.
- Transit Equals Business Program businesses provide their customers and employees incentives to encourage them to use transit rather than drive.
- Bicycle Corrals in Lieu of Vehicle Parking for certain businesses, reduce required
  onsite parking for vehicles if they provide a bicycle corral that accommodates more
  people.

Although there are additional parking strategies that are available and may become available in the future, most of the strategies work best in smart growth/mixed use development areas and will be necessary to accomplish the goals and visions identified in the General Plan and the General Plan Mobility Element.

#### Quantification

According to CAPCOA's Quantifying GHG Mitigation Measures, parking strategies have estimated VMT reductions. Reduced parking standards and other policies reducing parking availability have an estimated 5 to 12.5 percent VMT reduction, unbundled parking cost has a 2.6 to 13 percent VMT reduction, and parking management strategies have a 2.8 to 5.5 percent VMT projection.<sup>26</sup> Conservatively assuming the combined effect of these parking reduction strategies would result in the lower end of the strategies results, and considering that the strategies would be most applicable in future growth and infill areas, the cumulative reduction from implementations would result in a 2 percent VMT reduction to give an estimated 4,682 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e reduction by 2020, and a 4,211 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e reduction by 2035.

#### *Implementation*

The parking strategies will occur through the implementation of the Zoning Ordinance and the General Plan. The city's Planning Division is primarily responsible for developing new ordinances and updating existing ones. Parking policy and ordinance changes would be carried out under the Planning division's annual budget authority.

#### Transportation Improvements

Transportation Improvements         General Plan Policies:           2-P.48, 2-P.72; 3-P.8, 3-P.19, 3-P.20, 3-P.27, 3-P.31, 3-P.32, 3-P.35, 3-P.36	2020 Reduction: 1,475 MTCO₂e 2035 Reduction: 1,327 MTCO₂e
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<sup>26</sup> The maximum reduction provided from the combination of all parking policies in the CAPCOA report is a 20 percent reduction in VMT

#### Policy/Action Description

Transit in Carlsbad includes bus service, ADA paratransit service, and the COASTER commuter rail; indirectly, transit service is also provided by the Sprinter light rail system, Amtrak rail service, and Metrolink commuter rail. Future transit service in the city will primarily be coordinated by the North County Transit District (NCTD). In addition, there are several planned transit improvements for Carlsbad that are part of San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) regional planning efforts. These are reflected in the General Plan Mobility Element:

- Coastal rail improvements are proposed for the tracks serving the COASTER and Surfliner trains in San Diego County along the Los Angeles to San Diego Rail Corridor. These proposed improvements include double tracking, bridge replacements, and station improvements. Improvements to the COASTER service (2020 and 2030) are also proposed and would increase service and reduce headways.
- Route 471 (2020) is a proposed rapid bus providing frequent service between Carlsbad and San Marcos via Palomar Airport Road. This route will operate with 10 minute headways during peak and off-peak hours. In the city, this rapid bus route is envisioned to be supported by signal priority at intersections.
- AMTRAK will add service to Carlsbad.
- As previously described, the above future transit improvements will continue to advance the backbone transit infrastructure. However, one key component to improving transit use is improving the "first mile/last mile" access and experience for transit users. This typically includes end of trip facilities (bike racks, showers, changing rooms, etc.) and better connectivity from the transit stop to the ultimate destination via bicycle facilities, pedestrian facilities, local transit circulators, etc.
- Carlsbad's future transit effectiveness will depend on major employers assisting with providing some of these "first mile/last mile" facilities through transportation demand management (TDM) measures. TDM is envisioned to include shuttle circulators to major employers and destinations, showers and changing rooms at those locations, and a host of other typical TDM techniques that would support transit usage and the connection to the ultimate destination. This Mobility Element also supports TDM through potential incentives (such as reduced parking standards for TDM implementation) to further support transit access to these destinations.
- The final component to improving transit use in the city is working with NCTD to improve the transit experience, particularly along the bus routes. This includes improving bus stops in the city to ensure that they are well lit, have seating, and are covered to protect users from inclement weather.

As part of the FY 2014-2015 capital improvement program, the city initiated work on a Coastal Mobility Readiness Plan. This plan will complement current and planned bicycle and pedestrian improvements by recommending policy and infrastructure investments that will: improve accessibility to transit and para-transit services; fill in transportation gaps ("first mile-last mile" solutions); support and encourage expanded use of low-emission and zero emission vehicles; provide viable alternatives to private, single-occupant vehicle use (such as

through car-sharing, bike-sharing, and local shuttles); and recommend other transportation/parking demand management strategies. The plan will emphasize efficiently connecting residents and visitors among the city's various coastal activity centers, beaches, the state campground, and to and from major hotels and resorts, the Village, major shopping centers, and other significant visitor-serving activity centers. The plan will identify effective, proven tools, and seek out promising and emerging technologies. The plan will also identify potential funding partners such as NCTD (e.g. Cooperative Agreements in accordance with NCTD Board Policy 22), private funding and/or public grants. The plan is expected to be completed at the end of 2015, with implementation beginning in 2016.

The city has also implemented a state-of-the-practice traffic signal management (TSM) system. This system integrates traffic signals in the city to a single access point, allowing city staff to monitor and update signal timings to improve safety and mobility for all users in the city. The Mobility Element supports further implementation of this program and use of other technologies that become available, which have the ability to improve mobility for all users of the city's transportation system.

#### Quantification

Transportation system improvements can result in VMT reductions. According to CAPCOA's Quantifying Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Measures, transit system improvements can result in the following reductions: 0.02 to 3.2 percent VMT reduction from a bus rapid transit system, 0.1 to 8.2 percent VMT reduction from expanding the transit network, 0.02 to 2.5 percent VMT reduction from increasing transit service frequency and speed, and 0.5 to 24.6 percent VMT reduction from increasing transit accessibility. Reductions from TSM were estimated using Cambridge Systematics' Moving Cooler report as a 0.01 percent VMT reduction. Conservatively assuming the combined effect of these strategies, summing the low end of the VMT reduction ranges gives a 0.63 percent reduction in VMT emissions.

#### *Implementation*

Transit improvements will primarily be coordinated by NCTD and will also be implemented by SANDAG regional planning and funding efforts. City-led improvements will be carried out through the city's multi-year CIP and annual operating budget appropriation process.

#### Results

Table 3-12 shows the GHG reductions from each of the above General Plan policies and actions. The largest reduction comes from parking facilities and policies, followed by pedestrian improvement and increased connectivity, transportation improvements, traffic calming, and bikeway system improvements. VMT emissions are projected to fall in the future due to higher fuel efficiency standards; however, as the efficiency gains are expected to be largely achieved by 2020 but the VMT is projected to continue climbing in the future, the effect of the VMT reductions are greater in 2020 than in 2035 for all General Plan policies and actions considered in this section. For example, the reductions from traffic calming in 2035 are 526 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e, which is less than the reduction in 2020 of 585 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e. The reductions from these policies and actions are incorporated into the community emissions forecast in the following section.

TABLE	TABLE 3-12: GHG REDUCTIONS FROM ADDITIONAL GENERAL PLAN POLICIES AND ACTIONS					
Year	Bikeway System Improvements	Pedestrian Improvements and Increased Connectivity	Traffic Calming	Parking Facilities and Policies	Transportation Improvements	Total GHG Reductions from Additional General Plan Policies and Actions
2020	164	2,341	585	4,682	1,475	9,247
2035	147	2,106	526	4,211	1,327	8,317

#### 3.7 Modified Baseline and the GHG Emissions "Gap"

Table 3-13 shows the total community emissions with the reductions from the following policies and actions:

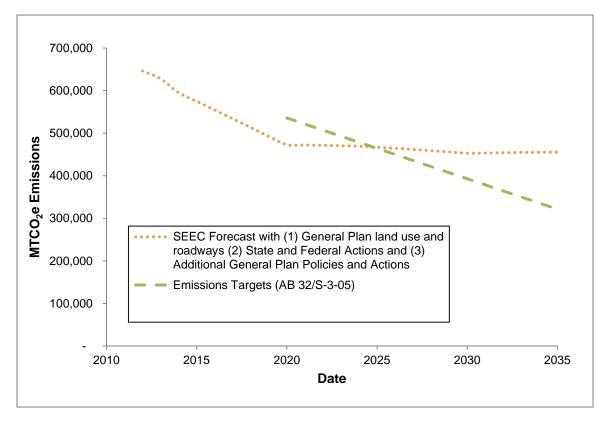
- General Plan land use and circulation system
- State and federal actions
- Additional General Plan policies and actions

Figure 3-6 shows the "modified baseline forecast," which incorporates the reductions discussed thus far in comparison to the emissions targets. Emissions drop steeply to 2020 from the combined effect of GHG reduction policies and actions, continue a gradual decline to 2030, but then start rising again after that, given that no increases in federal or state standards relating to fuel efficiency or renewable energy are assumed, even though these may well occur by that time. With the effect of all the GHG reductions considered in this chapter, the total community forecast emissions are 473,082 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2020, and 455,556 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2035. Table 3-13 shows that Carlsbad will meet its target for 2020 without any additional measures. However, by 2035, there is a GHG emissions "gap" of 134,098 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e — approximately one-third of the total projected community emissions.

TABLE 3-13: MODIFIED BASELINE FORECAST (FORECAST COMMUNITY EMISSIONS
WITH GENERAL PLAN LAND USE AND ROADWAYS, STATE AND FEDERAL ACTIONS,
AND ADDITIONAL GENERAL PLAN POLICIES AND ACTIONS)

Year	Total Modified Baseline Forecast (MTCO₂e)	GHG Emissions Targets (Linear Scaling of AB 32/S-3-05) (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Emissions "Gap" (MTCO₂e)
2020	473,082	535,763	Target Met
2025	467,018	464,328	2,690
2030	452,762	392,893	59,869
2035	455,556	321,458	134,098

Figure 3-6: Modified Baseline Forecast (Forecast Community Emissions with General Plan Land Use and Roadways, State and Federal Actions, and Additional General Plan Policies and Actions)



#### Conclusion

The emissions targets are met in the year 2020, with forecast emissions of 473,082 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e meeting the target by about 63,000 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e. There is an emissions "gap" in the year 2035 of about 134,000 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e between the forecast emissions of 455,556 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e and the emissions target of 321,458 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e. Chapter 4 contains CAP GHG reduction measures to close the gap between forecast emissions and emissions targets in the year 2035.

# 4

# CAP GHG Reduction Measures

The forecast emissions in Chapter 3 incorporate reductions from (1) state and federal actions, (2) General Plan land use and roadways, and (3) additional General Plan policies and actions. This chapter describes additional GHG reduction measures to close the emissions "gap" between emissions targets and forecast emissions for 2035. These are:

- Residential, commercial and industrial photovoltaic systems
- Building cogeneration
- Single-family, multi-family and commercial efficiency retrofits
- Commercial commissioning
- CALGreen building code
- Solar water heater/heat pump installation
- Efficient lighting standards
- Increased zero-emissions vehicle travel
- Transportation Demand Management (TDM)
- Citywide renewable projects
- Water delivery and conservation

The sections below describe the GHG reduction measures and explain how they will be implemented. The GHG reductions from these measures were quantified using the Energy Policy Initiatives Center (EPIC) mitigation calculator, a tool developed by the University of San Diego for cities within San Diego County. The EPIC mitigation calculator includes a "business as usual" (BAU) forecast for each measure estimating GHG reductions from trends already underway that will occur without any additional city intervention, based on regional San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) forecasts. For example, under the BAU forecast for residential photovoltaic (PV) systems, the EPIC mitigation calculator estimates that by the year 2035, energy produced by residential PV systems in the City of Carlsbad will be about 15.9 megawatts (MW), which will offset about 6,233 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e (MTCO<sub>2</sub>e).

The GHG reduction measures describe goals, amount of reduction in 2035, and actions to meet the target levels. The actions are categorized as **short-term** actions that will be implemented within one to two years of CAP adoption; or **mid-term** actions that will be implemented within two to five years of CAP adoption. Actions identified as **short to long-term**, or **mid to long-term** are those actions that will begin in the short or mid-term, but take longer than five years to fully implement. The mixture of short-term, mid-term, and long-term actions presented for each measure are intended to meet the goals in a realistic timeframe and provide an effective combination to reach the targets set forth. The "already-projected" amount is based on the forecast BAU emissions reduction, followed by a target level to reach the goal of the measure. The measures are then described in greater detail, as is the method of quantifying the GHG emissions reduction, and the responsibility and implementation of the measure is discussed. Each measure qualitatively describes costs and benefits, both to the city and the private sector. Overall benefits of GHG emissions reductions include decreased costs through energy efficiency, reduced risk to human health and welfare, and less global climate change.

The GHG reduction mitigation measures identified in this chapter are expected to achieve the targeted emission reductions. However, the nature, location, timing, size and other characteristics of future development projects may vary widely and additional project-level mitigation measures may be helpful or necessary to assist individual projects to achieve the targeted reductions. Accordingly, Appendix E to this Climate Action Plan provides a non-exclusive list of mitigation measures to be considered by the City and project applicants during project-level environmental review and adopted as needed to ensure that individual development projects achieve the targeted emission reductions.

# 4.1 Residential, Commercial and Industrial Photovoltaic Systems

Measure A: Promote Installation of Residential Photovoltaic Systems	
Goal: Promote installation of residential PV systems to produce an additional 9.1 MW above already projected amounts, or the equivalent of 2,682 more homes with PV systems, by 2035.	2035 Reduction: 10,136 MTCO <sub>2</sub> e

#### Actions:

- A-1: Temporarily—for a period of one year—suspend residential and commercial PV system permit fees, together with a publicity campaign to promote PV systems installation (Short-term)
- A-2: On a continuing basis, ensure that regulatory provisions such as complying with regulations for zoning, structure height, permit submittal and review, etc. do not hinder residential and commercial PV system installation. (Short to Long-term)
- A-3: Adopt an ordinance, similar to those passed by Lancaster and Sebastopol, which requires new homes to install PV panels to offset a portion of their energy use. (Short-term)

**Already-Projected Amount:** Solar photovoltaic (PV) systems convert solar energy into electricity. The projected power generation<sup>27</sup> of residential PV systems at 4,685 homes is 15.9 MW<sup>28</sup> in the year 2035, which is enough to fully power these homes.<sup>29</sup>

**Target:** The target is 25 MW in the year 2035, which is the equivalent amount of production to power 7,367 homes.<sup>30</sup>

**GHG Reduction Measure Description:** PV systems convert solar energy into electricity. Producing renewable energy locally through residential, commercial, and industrial PV systems reduces the need to construct costly new power plants that produce air pollution, use natural resources, and impact the environment.

The San Diego region has among the highest rates of solar energy production in the nation, producing an annual average of about 6.5 kWh per square meter per day, according to the National Renewable Energy Laboratories. A 2006 estimate found that existing PV technology could supply over 100 percent of the peak electricity demands for San Diego County, and over half of the total energy load.<sup>31</sup> Measure A is to promote the installation of PV systems on single-family and multi-family homes above the already-projected amount (4,685 homes) by an additional 2,682 homes, or a total of about 15 percent of homes.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure A.

Responsibility and Implementation: The City of Carlsbad currently participates in three Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs: CaliforniaFIRST, FigTREE, and California HERO. PACE programs provide financing to eligible property owners for sustainable energy projects, thereby offering a source of funding for residential PV systems. Property owners can finance PV system installations and energy efficiency improvements through a voluntary assessment on their property tax bills. Several other financing options are available to residents, including Federal Housing Financing Administration- (FHFA) insured Energy Efficient Mortgages, HUD Title 1 Home Improvements Loans, and FHA PowerSaver Loans.

<sup>28</sup> Solar capacity (MW) was converted into an annual energy total (kWh per year) as follows: The standard assumption is about 5 hours of production per day per solar system. The capacity was multiplied by 5 hours per day times 365 days per year to get a total production in kWh per year. Therefore, 15.9 MW converts to 29,017,500 kWh per year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> The maximum amount of power produced is also referred to as solar capacity.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Average household energy use was calculated as follows: The California per capita electricity use in 2010 was 2,337 kWh (source: http://www.eia.gov/state/?sid=CA). The average household size in 2010 was 2.65 people per household (source: <a href="http://www.census.gov/newsroom/releases/archives/2010">http://www.census.gov/newsroom/releases/archives/2010</a> census/cb11-cn137.html). Therefore, the average household energy use in 2010 was: 6,193.1 kWh per year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> It was assumed that residential PV systems produce the equivalent amount of energy to the amount consumed in each household on an annual basis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Anders, Scott and Bialek, Tom. 2006. Technical Potential for Rooftop Photovoltaics in the San Diego Region. Available: http://www.sandiego.edu/documents/epic/060309\_ASESPVPotentialPaperFINAL\_000.pdf.

The city will temporarily suspend residential and commercial solar PV system permit fees. The city will also on a continuing basis ensure that regulatory provisions—such as complying with regulations for zoning, structure height, permit submittal and review process, etc.—do not hinder PV panel installation.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private:</u> Private costs would come from the installation and maintenance of a residential PV system, which can be supported by PACE programs and other incentives. Benefits would accrue from reduced energy bills and increased property values.

<u>City:</u> City costs would occur from the analysis of potential regulatory barriers and adopting an ordinance requiring new homes to install PV systems. Revenue would be lost when permit fees are temporarily suspended.

Measure B: Promote Installation of Commercial and Industrial Photovoltaic Systems		
Goal: Promote installation of commercial and industrial PV systems to produce an additional 10.7 MW per year above projected amounts, or roughly 15 percent of projected commercial and industrial electricity use, by 2035.	2035 Reduction: 13,336 MTCO₂e	

Actions: (See also actions A1 and A2 above).

- B-1: Adopt a commercial energy conservation ordinance requiring all new nonresidential developments with more than 50 cars surface parked or on roofs of parking structures to use PV panels over at least half of the surface/roof-parked cars, or provide equivalent energy conservation/generation by other means (over and above other requirements). (Short-term)
- B-2: Adopt an ordinance requiring existing nonresidential developments to install PV panels to offset a portion of their energy use. (Mid-term)

**Already-Projected Amount:** The projected power generation from commercial and industrial PV systems is 22.3 MW in the year 2035, which is about 30 percent of projected commercial and industrial electricity use.

**Target:** The target is the PV production of 33 MW in the year 2035, which is the equivalent amount of power production to supply about 45 percent of projected commercial and industrial demand.

**GHG Reduction Measure Description:** Photovoltaic (PV) systems convert solar energy into electricity. Measure B promotes the installation of PV systems on commercial buildings and industrial facilities above the already-projected amount of 22.3 MW, by an additional 10.7 MW. Together with the already-projected amount of power generation, Measure B would reach the target PV production of 33 MW in 2035.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure B.

**Responsibility and Implementation:** See Measure A (above) for implementation.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private</u>: Private costs would result from the installation and maintenance of commercial and industrial PV systems. Benefits would accrue from reduced energy bills and increased property values.

<u>City:</u> City costs would occur from removing potential regulatory barriers and preparing and enforcing a nonresidential PV systems ordinance. Revenue would be lost when permit fees are temporarily suspended.

#### 4.2 Building Cogeneration

Measure C: Promote Building Cogeneration for Large Commercial and Industrial Facilities		
Goal: Promote building cogeneration for large commercial and industrial facilities, with the goal of producing 6.9 MW.	2035 Reduction: 1,067 MTCO <sub>2</sub> e	
Actions:		

- C-1: Promote cogeneration by publicizing grant opportunities and financial incentives, such as the Self-Generation Incentive Program and feed in tariffs for cogeneration systems, for renovations of existing buildings by posting these on the city's website and by other means. (Short-term)
- C-2: Install cogeneration systems on large city facilities that can benefit from the installation of these systems, and apply for funding through the Energy Efficiency Financing for Public Sector Projects program, or other similar funding sources. (Mid to Long-term)
- C-3: Require cogeneration systems for large commercial and industrial facilities that have on-site electricity production, both for new construction and retrofits. (Mid-term)

**Already-Projected Amount:** The forecast capacity of building cogeneration systems is 6.9 MW in the year 2035.

**Target:** The target is to reach the already-projected amount.

GHG Reduction Measure Description: Building cogeneration, also known as combined heat and power (CHP), is the use of building power stations to simultaneously generate electricity and heat. Instead of purchasing electricity from a utility and burning fuel in an on-site furnace to produce needed heat, an industrial or commercial user can use building cogeneration to provide both electricity and heat in one energy-efficient step. Examples of facilities able to use building cogeneration include manufacturing plants, hospitals, water and wastewater treatment facilities,<sup>32</sup> and large office buildings.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> The Encina wastewater treatment plant operates a cogeneration plant that produces over 60 percent of the electricity used by the facility.

Building cogeneration reduces building energy costs, provides stability in the face of uncertain electricity prices, and enhances energy reliability. Building cogeneration also provides the opportunity to improve critical infrastructure resiliency, by allowing critical facilities to run without any interruption in service if the electrical grid is impaired. Measure C is to promote the installation of building cogeneration systems on large commercial and industrial facilities to reach the projected capacity of 6.9 MW by 2035.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure C.

Responsibility and Implementation: The City of Carlsbad will apply for funding to install cogeneration systems on city facilities that would benefit from the use of these systems. The city will also publicize incentives for the construction of cogeneration systems, and require cogeneration systems for new construction and retrofits of large commercial and industrial facilities through the permitting process, where the facility has on-site non-renewable electricity generation.

A number of funding sources exist to provide financial support for the installation of cogeneration systems. Funding for cogeneration systems for city facilities is available through the Energy Efficiency Financing for Public Sector Projects program. In addition to city government buildings, the program also applies to schools and other public or institutional facilities. There is no minimum loan amount, but the maximum loan amount per application is \$3 million. The interest rate is 1 percent, and loans must be repaid from energy cost savings within 15 years, including principal and interest. As well, the city will consider use of its Infrastructure Replacement Funds (IRF) to install feasible cogeneration systems as part of refurbishment of existing city facilities.

The Self-Generation Incentive Program (SGIP) provides financial incentives for the installation of new qualifying technologies, including cogeneration, that are installed to meet all or a portion of the electric energy needs of a facility.<sup>33</sup> SGIP is funded by the California Public Utilities Commission, and administered by the California Center for Sustainable Energy in SDG&E's service area. San Diego's 2014 share is approximately \$10 million per year. Under the SGIP program, cogeneration systems receive an incentive of \$1.83 per watt produced. SDG&E also offers seminars on the benefits of cogeneration and fuel cell options for large facilities.

For cogeneration systems that produce electricity in excess of the facility's needs, the state of California has initiated a feed-in tariff, which provides a cost-based price for renewable energy produced.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> See the 2014 Self-Generation Incentive Program Handbook. Available: https://www.selfgenca.com/documents/handbook/2014

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private:</u> Private costs would come from the installation and maintenance of building cogeneration systems, and which could be reduced through funding programs, such as SGIP. Benefits would accrue from reduced energy bills and increased property values.

<u>City:</u> City costs would come from promoting cogeneration systems, and incorporating the consideration of cogeneration into the permitting process for commercial and industrial facilities. Benefits could accrue from reduced energy bills for city facilities that utilize cogeneration systems.

# 4.3 Single-family, Multi-family, Commercial, and City Facility Efficiency Retrofits

#### Measure D: Encourage Single-Family Residential Energy Efficiency Retrofits

Goal: Encourage single-family residential efficiency retrofits with the goal of a 50 percent energy reduction compared to baseline in 30 percent of the total single-family homes citywide by 2035 (approximately 10,000 single-family homes out of a total of 35,000).

2035 Reduction: 1,132 MTCO2e

#### Actions:

- D-1: Publicize available incentive and rebate programs, such as SDG&E's Residential Energy Efficiency Program, on the city's website and by other means. (Short-term)
- D-2: Create a citywide "Energy Challenge," similar to the Department of Energy's Better Buildings Challenge, to promote cost-effective energy improvements, while having residents and building owners commit to reducing energy consumption. (Short-term)
- D-3: Adopt a residential energy conservation ordinance, which requires residential property owners to conduct and disclose an energy audit at the time of major renovations (as defined by the ordinance), to ensure that homes and residential developments meet specified low cost energy efficiency measures—such as requisite ceiling insulation, insulated pipes, water heater blankets and exterior door weather stripping. (Short-term)

**Already-Projected Amount:** There is no projection for retrofits that would occur without this measure.

**Target:** The target is a 50 percent energy reduction in 30 percent of single-family homes citywide by the year 2035.

GHG Reduction Measure Description: As single-family homes use a large portion of the city's total energy and older homes are substantially less efficient than newly constructed homes, there is a large opportunity to reduce GHG emissions through the retrofitting of existing homes. When a single-family homeowner seeks to make major improvements, the owner would be required to conduct an energy audit, and meet low-cost energy efficiency measures—such as improving insulation, providing weather stripping, promoting natural

lighting and ventilation, and using "smart" thermostats to regulate energy use for heating and cooling.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure D.

**Responsibility and Implementation:** Homeowners would implement this measure. SDG&E offers a Residential Energy Efficiency Program, which offers residential customers rebates to improve the efficiency of appliances, such as water heaters, washers, refrigerators, air conditioners, building insulating, and ceiling fans. The City will publicize this and related programs on its website and by other means.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private:</u> Private costs would come from homeowners conducting energy audits and implementing efficiency retrofits. The cost of these retrofits is frequently 1 percent or less of the total renovation cost. Benefits would occur through reduced energy costs. Rebates are available as described above.

<u>City:</u> City costs would come from promoting incentive programs, creating an "Energy Challenge" program, and adopting and enforcing a residential energy conservation ordinance.

Measure E: Encourage Multi-Family Residential Efficiency Retrofits		
Goal: Encourage multi-family residential efficiency retrofits with the goal of a 50 percent energy reduction in 30 percent of the projected amount of multi-family homes citywide by 2035 (approximately 5,000 out of a total of 17,000).	2035 Reduction: 351 MTCO₂e	
Actions: See Measure D (above).		

**Already-Projected Amount:** There is no projection for retrofits that would occur without this measure.

**Target:** The goal is a fifty percent energy reduction in thirty percent of the projected amount of multi-family homes citywide by the year 2035.

GHG Reduction Measure Description: Multi-family residential retrofits provide an opportunity to reduce building energy use. Multi-family residential retrofits are similar to the single-family retrofits described in Measure D, but can provide increased energy savings; for example, increasing insulation between residential units benefits both units. Other examples of multi-family residential retrofits include replacing incandescent and halogen lamps with LED or CFL lamps, installing energy-efficient windows and efficient appliances, and using "smart" thermostats to regulate energy use for heating and cooling.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure E.

**Responsibility and Implementation:** Multi-family residential unit owners would implement this measure. SDG&E offers a Residential Energy Efficiency Program, which offers residential customers rebates to improve the efficiency of appliances, such as water heaters, washers, refrigerators, air conditioners, building insulating, and ceiling fans. The City will publicize this and related programs on its website and by other means.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private:</u> Private costs would come from multi-family residential unit owners conducting energy audits and implementing efficiency retrofits. Benefits would occur through reduced energy costs. Rebates are available as described above.

<u>City:</u> City costs would come from promoting incentive programs, and creating an "Energy Challenge" program.

Measure F: Encourage Commercial and City Facility Efficiency Retrofits		
Goal: Encourage commercial and city facility efficiency retrofits with the goal equivalent to a 40 percent energy reduction in 30 percent of commercial square footage citywide and in city facilities by 2035.	2035 Reduction: 18,377 MTCO₂e	

#### Actions:

- F-1: Undertake a program of energy efficiency retrofits for city-owned buildings, with the goal of 40 percent reduction in energy use, beginning with retrofits that would result in the most substantial energy savings. (Short-term)
- F-2: Promote available incentive and rebate programs, such as SDG&E's Energy Efficiency Business Rebates and Incentives Program, on the city's website and by other means. (Short-term)
- F-3: Adopt a commercial energy conservation ordinance, which requires property owners to ensure that commercial buildings meet specified energy efficiency measures—such as requisite heating, ventilation, and air conditioning improvements, service water system requirements, and improved refrigeration equipment, at the time of conducting major renovations (as defined by the ordinance). (Short-term)

**Already-Projected Amount:** There is no projection for retrofits that would occur without this measure.

**Target:** The target is equivalent to a 40 percent energy reduction in 30 percent of the projected amount of commercial square footage and in city facilities.

**GHG Reduction Measure Description:** Relatively straightforward fixes to commercial and city-owned buildings can significantly reduce spending on fuel and electricity for commercial buildings. Examples of retrofits include installing efficient boilers and equipment, installation of high-quality windows, efficient lighting, and other building energy improvements.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure F.

Responsibility and Implementation: Building owners would implement this measure for commercial buildings.<sup>34</sup> Funding is available through incentive and rebate programs, such as SDG&E's Energy Efficiency Business Rebates and Incentives Program. SANDAG is preparing an Energy Roadmap for the city, which will identify energy conservation measures the city can use to reduce energy use in city municipal operations.<sup>35</sup> Funding for city retrofits can be provided through the Energy Efficiency Financing for Public Sector Projects program, described above in Measure C. As well, the city will use its IRF to install energy efficiency retrofits as part of refurbishment of existing city facilities.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private</u>: Private costs would come from building owners and business owners implementing efficiency retrofits. Benefits would occur through reduced energy costs. Costs could be offset through incentive and rebate programs.

<u>City:</u> City costs would come from retrofitting city facilities, providing resources to help guide building owners to implement this measure, promoting available incentive and rebate programs, and adopting and enforcing a commercial energy conservation ordinance.

#### 4.4 Commercial and City Facility Commissioning

# Measure G: Promote Commercial and City Facility Commissioning Goal: Encourage commercial and city facility commissioning, or improving existing and new building operations, with the goal equivalent to a 40 percent energy reduction in 30 percent of commercial square footage citywide and in city-owned buildings by 2035. Actions: G-1: Promote commissioning programs on the city's website such as San Diego RCx, and similar programs for commercial buildings. (Short-term)

G-2: Commission city facilities to improve building operations and reduce energy costs, with a goal of 40 percent energy reduction in 30 percent of city facility square footage. (Mid-term)

**Already-Projected Amount:** There is no projection for commercial commissioning that would occur without this measure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> AB 1103, the California Nonresidential Building Energy Use Disclosure Program, requires an owner of a nonresidential building to benchmark the building's energy use data and disclose the energy use prior to the sale of the building, or the lease and financing of the entire building. This benchmark data can be used to guide implementation of efficiency measures for buildings renovated after a recent sale.

<sup>35</sup> SANDAG. 2014. "Energy Roadmap for Local Governments." Available: http://www.sandag.org/index.asp?classid=17&projectid=373&fuseaction=projects.detail. Accessed: February 25, 2014.

**Target:** The target is equivalent to a 40 percent energy reduction in 30 percent of existing and new commercial square footage citywide and in city facilities.

GHG Reduction Measure Description: Commercial commissioning is a systematic process of ensuring that a building performs according to its design and the occupant's operational needs. Commissioning allows the design developed to be successfully constructed and operated. Examples includes measuring temperatures and flow rates from heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems to calibrate to a known standard, as well as reviewing operations to verify that controls are properly functioning.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure G.

Responsibility and Implementation: The City is responsible for commissioning city facilities. Building owners would implement this measure for commercial buildings. Programs exist to offer assistance with the commissioning. San Diego RCx, a SDG&E program, provides a free engineering study to qualified buildings to identify opportunities to save energy. After opportunities are identified, the program offers financial assistance to help pay the cost of implementing measures, which are typically low or no cost. Once implementation is complete, energy savings are confirmed with the utility, and the program pays the building owner the cost of the improvements. Commissioning of existing city facilities can occur concurrently with the 10-year master refurbishments schedule, using IRF.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private:</u> Private costs would come from building owners paying for building commissioning, which may be offset entirely through commissioning programs. Benefits would occur through reduced energy costs.

<u>City:</u> City costs would come from commissioning city facilities and from promoting commissioning programs to help guide building owners to implement this measure. Benefits would occur through reduced energy costs.

#### 4.5 Green Building Code

Measure H: Implement Green Building Measures	
Goal: Implementation of a 5 percent improvement in energy efficiency above the City of Carlsbad residential green building code (based on CALGreen, the statewide green building code), for new construction.	2035 Reduction: 179 MTCO <sub>2</sub> e
Action:	
H-1: Adopt residential and commercial energy conservation ordinances requiring a 5 percent improvement in energy efficiency for residential and nonresidential new construction, above the existing City of Carlsbad green building code. (Short-term)	

**Already-Projected Amount:** There are no projections for this measure.

**Target:** The target is a five percent improvement in energy efficiency above the mandatory requirements set in CALGreen.

GHG Reduction Measure Description: CALGreen, also known as Title 24, is California's Building Energy Code. CALGreen requires that new buildings reduce water consumption, increase system efficiencies, divert construction waste from landfills, and install low pollutant-emitting finish materials. CALGreen has mandatory measures that apply to nonresidential and residential construction. The most recent CALGreen code was adopted in 2013 and became effective in 2014. This measure applies a five percent improvement in energy efficiency above CALGreen as part of a local Green Building Code.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure H.

**Responsibility and Implementation:** The City of Carlsbad shall adopt a Green Building Code with a standard of five percent improvement in energy efficiency above CALGreen, which would also apply to any subsequent updates of the CALGreen Building Code. The Green Building Code would apply to new construction within the city.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private:</u> Private costs would occur in implementing the improvements in energy efficiency above the CALGreen code in new construction.

<u>City:</u> There is no cost to the City of Carlsbad, other than adopting the ordinance.

#### 4.6 Efficient Lighting Standards

## Measure I: Promote Replacement of Incandescent and Halogen Bulbs with LED or Other Energy Efficient Lamps

Goal: Replace 50 percent of incandescent and halogen light bulbs citywide with LED or similarly efficient lighting by 2035.

2035 Reduction: 21,900 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e

#### Actions:

- I-1: Replace 50 percent of incandescent or halogen light bulbs in city facilities with LED or similarly efficient lighting, or follow SANDAG Energy Roadmap recommendations for lighting in city facilities, whichever results in greater energy savings. (Short-term)
- I-2: Promote the use of LED or other energy efficient lamps by publicizing rebate programs and information from SDG&E on the benefits of the use of LED or other energy efficient lighting on the city's webpage. (Short-term)
- I-3: Evaluate the feasibility of adopting a minimum natural lighting and ventilation standard, developed based on local conditions. Demonstrate natural lighting and ventilation features in future city facility upgrade or new construction. (Mid-term)

**Already-Projected Amount:** There are no projections for this measure.

**Target:** The target is to replace 50 percent of incandescent and halogen bulbs citywide with LED bulbs or similarly efficient lighting by 2035.

GHG Reduction Measure Description: Replace inefficient incandescent and halogen light bulbs with more efficient light bulbs to reduce the amount of energy needed to power the bulbs, which will reduce the demand for electricity and thus the amount of GHG emissions created by the electrical power generation. Under AB 1109 (2007), minimum energy efficiency standards are structured to reduce statewide electrical consumption by 50 percent or greater from 2007 levels for indoor residential lighting and by 25 percent or greater from 2007 levels for indoor commercial and outdoor lighting by 2018. The improved efficiency standards from AB 1109 will help to meet the goals of this measure. SANDAG is preparing an Energy Roadmap for the city, which may include lighting replacement recommendations for city facilities. Either the measures in the Energy Roadmap or the goal of 50 percent of incandescent and halogen light bulbs will be followed for city facilities, whichever results in greater energy savings. For existing city facilities, the city will also time the lighting efficiency replacements with the master refurbishment schedule.

Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions: An estimated 17 percent of residential and commercial energy nationwide<sup>36</sup> and about 25 percent in California<sup>37</sup> is used for lighting. Applied to citywide energy use, 25 percent corresponds to about 78,000 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e of forecast emissions in 2035 (from the SEEC community forecast with General Plan land use and roadways). LED light bulbs reduce energy consumption and therefore GHG emissions by 75 percent compared to incandescent lighting.<sup>38</sup> This measure assumes that about 75 percent of the bulbs citywide are currently incandescent or halogen, and sets the target of replacing half of these bulbs with more efficient ones by 2035. <sup>39</sup> New construction could set at a goal of 75 percent of bulbs to be LED or similarly efficient. This would overall lead to a 28 percent decrease in emissions compared to halogen/incandescent bulbs, which equates to emissions reductions of 21,900 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e.<sup>40</sup>

Responsibility and Implementation: Carlsbad's street lights were replaced in 2011 with energy-saving induction units, leading to a reduction of approximately 1,240 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e per year (already taken into account). The City has been and will continue to replace light bulbs within City facilities with LED or similarly efficient lighting, as facilities are upgraded. For residential and commercial customers, SDG&E currently does not offer rebates for the

37 California Public Utilities Commission; http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/NR/rdonlyres/6234FFE8-452F-45BC-A579-A527D07D7456/0/Lighting.pdf

 $<sup>^{36}\</sup> http://www.eia.gov/tools/faqs/faq.cfm?id=99\&t=3$ 

<sup>38</sup> http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=find\_a\_product.showProductGroup&pgw\_code=LB

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> It is estimated that 75 percent of lighting within the City is currently incandescent, halogen, or linear fluorescent. U.S. Department of Energy, 2010 U.S. Lighting Market Characterization, January 2012, Table 4.1; http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/buildings/publications/pdfs/ssl/2010-lmc-final-jan-2012.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> 75 percent reduction in energy use in half of the 75 percent total incandescent bulbs is (75 percent)\*(75 percent)\*(50 percent)= 28 percent reduction

purchase of LED or similarly efficient lighting, but the City will promote rebates as they come available on its website and by other means. The City will also provide information on the benefits of the use of LED and efficient lighting from SDG&E and other sources.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private:</u> Private costs would be from purchasing LED light bulbs for new construction, and replacing existing light bulbs over time. Benefits would be from reduced energy costs and reduced cost to replace light bulbs (as LED lights last substantially longer).

<u>City</u>: City costs would come from replacing existing inefficient lighting in City facilities with more efficient light bulbs over time, providing information to homeowners and business owners to encourage a switch to LED or other efficient lamps, and evaluating the feasibility of a natural lighting and ventilation ordinance.

# 4.7 Solar Water Heater/Heat Pump Installation

Measure J: New Construction Residential and Commercial Solar Water Heater Installation						
Goal: Install solar water heaters or heat pumps on all new residential and commercial construction. Retrofit up to 30 percent of existing homes and commercial buildings to include solar water heaters or heat pumps.	2035 Reduction: 11,604 MTCO₂e					

#### Actions:

- J-1: Promote the installation of solar water heaters and heat pumps by publicizing incentive, rebate and financing programs, such as PACE programs and the California Solar Initiative for renovations of existing buildings by posting this information on the city's website and by other means. (Short-term)
- J-2: Adopt residential and commercial energy conservation ordinances requiring new residential and commercial buildings to install solar water heaters or heat pumps, or use alternative energy (such as PV-generated electricity) for water heating needs. (Short-term)

**Already-Projected Amount:** There are no solar water heaters/heat pumps projected to be installed.

**Target:** The target is to install solar water heaters or heat pumps on all new residential and commercial construction, and retrofit up to 30 percent of existing homes and commercial buildings to include solar water heaters or heat pumps.

**GHG Reduction Measure Description:** Solar water heaters use water heated by the sun to provide domestic and commercial hot water. Solar water heaters reduce the demand for energy used to heat water. A solar water heater can contribute 30 to 80 percent of the energy

needed for residential water heating.<sup>41</sup> Heat pumps are devices that use a small amount of energy to move heat from one location to another.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure J.

Responsibility and Implementation: The three PACE programs described in Measure A also provide financing for the installation of solar water heaters and heat pumps to improve residential energy efficiency. The California Solar Initiative has a low-income solar water heating rebate program and solar thermal program, which offers rebates for solar water heaters. Installation of solar water heaters on all new residential and commercial water heaters could occur through city ordinance. Retrofit of existing homes could occur through a combination of additional encouragement and incentives.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private:</u> Private costs would occur through the installation of residential and commercial solar water heaters, which would be passed onto building owners. Benefits would occur through reduced water heating costs.

<u>City:</u> City costs would occur from adopting and enforcing an ordinance requiring new homes and commercial buildings to install solar water heaters or heat pumps.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> California Energy Commission. 2009. Go Solar California: A Step by Step Tool Kit for Local Governments to Go Solar. Available: <a href="http://www.energy.ca.gov/2009publications/CEC-180-2009-005/CEC-180-2009-005.PDF">http://www.energy.ca.gov/2009publications/CEC-180-2009-005/CEC-180-2009-005.PDF</a>.

# 4.8 Transportation Demand Management

# Measure K: Promote Transportation Demand Management Strategies Goal: Promote Transportation Demand Management Strategies with a goal of achieving a 10 percent increase in alternative mode use by workers in Carlsbad, for a total of 32 percent alternative mode use. 2035 Reduction: 23,549 MTCO₂e

#### Actions:

- K-1: Adopt a citywide transportation demand management (TDM) plan, as described in the General Plan Mobility Element, detailing a mix of strategies to reduce travel demand, specifically of single occupancy vehicles. SANDAG's 2012 "Integrating Transportation Demand Management Into the Planning and Development Process" provides a guide to designing and implementing a TDM plan and will be used as a reference document to develop the city's TDM plan. TDM strategies evaluated in the plan include parking ordinances, subsidized or discounted transit programs, transit marketing and promotion, carsharing, bikesharing, parking pricing, and bike parking. (Short-term)
- K-2: Adopt a TDM ordinance, defining a minimum trip generation threshold for nonresidential development projects. The city will set performance requirements for minimum alternative mode use based on project type. All projects above the threshold shall submit a TDM plan, which includes a description of how the minimum alternative mode use will be achieved and maintained over the life of the project. Potential TDM trip reduction measures can include carpool and vanpool ridematching services; designated employees as contacts for trip reduction programs; providing a direct route to transit in coordination with NCTD; developing public-private transit partnerships; passenger loading zones; pedestrian connections; showers and clothes lockers; carsharing, bikesharing long–term bicycle parking and shuttle programs. (Mid-term)

**Already-Projected Amount:** There are no projections for this measure. As of 2012, alternative (non-single occupancy vehicle use—such as working at home, carpooling, transit, walking and biking) mode use by Carlsbad workers is 22 percent.<sup>43</sup> Of these alternative uses, most workers work at home (44 percent) and carpool (36 percent), followed by public transit (10 percent), other means (including biking, 6 percent), and walking (5 percent).

**Target:** The Carlsbad General Plan promotes the use of Transportation Demand Management (TDM), but does not specify a target goal. This measure specifies a goal of achieving an additional 10 percent use of alternative modes, for an overall 32 percent alternative mode use by workers employed in Carlsbad. This is projected to be achieved through 40 percent alternative mode use by workers in new nonresidential buildings, and 30 percent alternative mode use by workers in existing (as of 2013) nonresidential buildings.

**GHG Reduction Measure Description:** Chapter 3 quantifies emissions reductions from the Carlsbad General Plan due to bikeway system improvements, pedestrian improvements,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> Available: http://www.icommutesd.com/documents/tdmstudy\_may2012\_webversion\_000.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> American Community Survey. 2012. Selected Economic Characteristics for Carlsbad, California. Available: <a href="http://factfinder2.census.gov/">http://factfinder2.census.gov/</a>.

traffic calming, parking facilities and policies, and transportation improvements. This measure is distinct from these reductions because it focuses on TDM, or the application of strategies and policies to reduce travel demand, or redistribute it in time and space. This measure reduces VMT by shifting single occupancy vehicle use to alternative modes, reducing the average commute length, promoting an alternate work schedule, and promoting telecommuting.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure K.

Responsibility and Implementation: The City of Carlsbad will develop a TDM plan describing strategies to reduce travel demand. The city will also develop an ordinance applying to nonresidential developments meeting a specified minimum trip generation threshold, providing connections to public transportation whenever possible. The city will facilitate a coordinated effort between local businesses and NCTD to develop a route expansion and ridership plan wherever feasible. SANDAG's iCommute program assists commuters by providing free carpool and ridematching services, a subsidized vanpool program, the Guaranteed Ride Home program, SchoolPool carpooling programs for parents, and information about teleworking, all of which can support the city's TDM goals.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private</u>: Private costs could include need for a TDM coordinator for private businesses, providing on-site facilities (showers, lockers), and shuttle programs. Benefits would accrue from reduced spending on gasoline, and reduced traffic from less employee commute.

<u>City:</u> City costs would result from developing, implementing, and enforcing a TDM plan and ordinance. Implementation costs would include conducting an outreach and education campaign to promote the benefits of TDM.

# 4.9 Increased Zero-Emissions Vehicle (ZEV) Travel

Measure L: Promote an Increase in the Amount of Zero-Emissions Vehicle Travel					
Goal: Promote an increase in the amount of ZEV <sup>44</sup> miles traveled from a projected 15 percent to 25 percent of total vehicle miles traveled by 2035.	2035 Reduction: 54,158 MTCO₂e				

#### Actions:

- L-1: Working with industry partners, construct a "PV to EV" pilot project to install a PV charging station at a city facility (such as the Faraday Center), to charge city ZEVs. The purpose of the pilot project would be to evaluate the feasibility of incorporating more ZEV into the city's fleet. (Short-term)
- L-2: Prepare a community-wide charging station siting plan, which evaluates site visibility and exposure, EV driving ranges, high volume destinations, locations with high ownership or interest in EVs, and cost of construction. (Short-term)
- L-3: Construct ZEV charging stations based on the community-wide charging station siting plan described in L-2 above. The ZEV charging stations will be funded by grant funds when available, and the city will post signage directing ZEVs to charging stations. (Mid-term)
- L-4: Offer dedicated ZEV parking, and provide charging stations adjacent to ZEV parking as identified in the community-wide charging station siting plan. (Mid-term)
- L-5: Adopt requirements for ZEV parking for new developments. (Short-term)
- L-6: Adopt a residential energy conservation ordinance, similar to Palo Alto, requiring the installation of EV chargers or pre-wiring in new residential construction and major renovations. (Short-term)
- L-7: Update the city's Fleet Management Program to include a low and zero-emissions vehicle replacement/purchasing policy. Increase the proportion of fleet low and zero-emissions vehicle miles traveled to 25 percent of all city-related VMT by 2035. (Short-term)

**Already-Projected Amount:** According to the EPIC mitigation calculator, 15 percent of the vehicle miles traveled in 2035 are projected to be from ZEVs.

**Target:** The target is to increase the proportion of vehicle miles traveled from 15 percent to 25 percent by the year 2035.

GHG Reduction Measure Description: Driving ZEVs reduces carbon emissions by eliminating direct tailpipe emissions of carbon dioxide and other GHGs. The production of electricity used to power electric vehicles generates GHGs; however, SDG&E electricity generates much less GHGs than the direct combustion of fossil fuels. Furthermore, electric vehicles can be charged at home or the workplace using energy produced by PV panels, eliminating GHG emissions completely, at least for the months when PV panels produce the full amount of electricity needed for operations. The ability to provide entirely emissions-free

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> Zero-Emissions Vehicle (ZEV) is a vehicle that emits no tailpipe pollutants from the onboard source of power. ZEVs include electric vehicles, fuel cell vehicles, and plug-in hybrids, when in electric mode.

transportation through the use of PV panels to charge ZEVs should be capitalized on whenever possible.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure L.

**Responsibility and Implementation:** The city will promote an increase in the amount of electric vehicle travel by constructing ZEV charging stations using the community-wide station siting plan. Grant funding for the construction of the ZEV charging stations can come from the California Energy Commission's Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure grant, or other similar grant programs. The city would be responsible for operating (including electricity provision, for stations not using PV panels) and maintaining charging stations.

The city will also promote the use of ZEVs by offering dedicated ZEV parking and adopting requirements for ZEV parking for new development. The city will create an ordinance requiring the installation of ZEV chargers or pre-wiring in new residential construction and major renovations.<sup>45</sup> Through its Fleet Vehicle Replacement Fund, the City of Carlsbad will increase the city fleet mix of ZEVs, hybrids, and other low- or zero-emissions vehicles to increase low and zero-emissions vehicle miles traveled to 25 percent by 2035.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private:</u> The private cost would be the purchase of an electric vehicle and the cost of electricity to power the electric vehicle, for community members who elect to purchase an electric vehicle. Costs may also occur from installing EV chargers or pre-wiring into new residential construction or major renovations. Benefits would accrue from reduced spending on gasoline.

<u>City:</u> City costs would be from planning for, constructing, operating (including providing electricity, for stations not using PV panels) and maintaining ZEV charging stations, which may be offset by potential user fees or grants from the California Energy Commission, or other similar agencies. City costs may occur from developing ordinances to require the installation of ZEV chargers in new residential construction and major renovations. City costs may also occur from fleet purchases of ZEV vehicles. Benefits would accrue from reduced spending on gasoline.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> Assembly Bill 1092 (2013) requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to propose minimum building standards for the installation of future electric vehicle charging infrastructure for parking spaces in multifamily dwellings and nonresidential development.

# 4.10 Citywide Renewable Projects

# Measure M: Develop More Citywide Renewable Energy ProjectsGoal: Produce the equivalent amount of energy to power 2,000<br/>homes (roughly equivalent to a 5 percent reduction) by 2035<br/>from renewable energy projects.2035 Reduction: 4,580 MTCO₂e

#### Actions:

- M-1: Conduct a feasibility study to evaluate citywide renewable energy projects and prioritize accordingly. (Short-term)
- M-2: Incorporate renewable energy measures such as PV system installation on city buildings and parking lots, or microturbine installation on city facilities, with the goal of producing approximately 12,000 megawatt-hours per year. (Mid to Long-term)
- M-3: Pursue available funding sources for the construction of renewable energy projects by the city, such as Energy Efficiency Financing for Public Sector Projects and SGIP. (Mid to Long-term)

**Already-Projected Amount:** There is no projected amount for this measure.

**Target:** The target is the production of 12,341 megawatt-hours per year, approximately the energy required to power 2,000 homes.

GHG Reduction Measure Description: The City of Carlsbad has a number of renewable energy projects in various stages of planning and development. The Maerkle Reservoir Hydropower Project, which has been permitted by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), is estimated to produce about 833 MWh per year. In 2014, Alga Norte Community Park was outfitted with a PV system in the parking area, which will generate some 360 MWh of electricity per year. Other planned projects include a second pressure-reducing hydroelectric generator, similar to the Maerkle Reservoir Hydropower Project, and a potential large PV system at the Maerkle Reservoir property.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reduction:** The production of 12,341 megawatt-hours per year was converted into MTCO<sub>2</sub>e using the 2010 SDG&E coefficient of 742.2 lb CO<sub>2</sub>e per megawatt-hour. This corresponds to a reduction of 4,580 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e.

Responsibility and Implementation: The City of Carlsbad would be responsible for conducting a feasibility study, determining suitable renewable technologies, siting renewable projects, and constructing and maintaining the renewable energy projects. Funding sources include the Energy Efficiency Financing for Public Sector Projects, which includes renewable energies such as PV systems and other distributed generation technologies, as well as the SGIP, as described above in Measure C. As well, the city will use IRF to install renewable energy systems as part of refurbishment of existing city facilities, where it is feasible to do so.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

Private: There are no direct private costs from this measure.

<u>City:</u> City costs are planning (including a feasibility study), constructing and maintaining the renewable facilities, some of which may be offset through the funding sources described above. Benefits accrue from electricity savings to City through net energy metering.

# 4.11 Water Utilities System Improvements

Measure N: Reduce GHG Intensity of Water Utilities Supply C Distribution 46	onveyance, Treatment, and
Goal: Reduce the intensity of GHG emissions from water utilities (including water supply, wastewater, and recycled water) conveyance, treatment, and distribution by 8 percent by 2035.	2035 Reduction: 5,968 MTCO <sub>2</sub> e
Action:	
N-1: Improve water utilities (including water supply, wastewater, treatment and distribution, and other system improvements	

**Already-Projected Amount:** The goal of an 8 percent reduction by 2035 is the default value in the EPIC mitigation calculator.

**Target:** The target is to achieve the already-projected amount.

GHG Reduction Measure Description: This measure estimates emissions reductions from changes in the efficiency of water utilities (including water supply, wastewater, and recycled water) conveyance, treatment, and distribution facilities within the City of Carlsbad.<sup>47</sup> This combines improvements in overall system efficiency, the reduction in GHG intensity of electricity used to move water, wastewater, and recycled water, and replacing potable water needs with expanded recycled water supply. Carlsbad's Sewer Master Plan, for example, calls for eliminating several sewer lift stations and replacing them with gravity pipelines, which would reduce energy usage.<sup>48</sup> The Encina Water Pollution Control Facility exemplifies GHG reductions from water treatment; the facility currently is able to satisfy 60 percent of its energy needs through methane capture and cogeneration and has a long-term goal of energy independence from purchased energy. The 2012 Carlsbad Municipal Water District Recycled Water Master Plan estimates that, by 2030, recycled water demand could double from 4,100 acre-feet/year to about 9,100 acre-feet/year. Expanding the recycled water system would appreciably reduce the need for more expensive imported water needs in the future.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> For purposes of this measure, water utilities include potable water treatment and conveyance, sewer conveyance, and recycled water treatment and conveyance systems.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> Note: The GHG reductions from water conservation measures detailed in the 2010 Carlsbad Municipal Water District Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) have already been considered in the GHG forecasts. Further GHG reductions may be possible through greater conservation efforts than those outlined in the UWMP, including Ordinance No. 44 (2009); however, these have not been quantified in this CAP.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> The City is replacing three sewer lift stations, which use a combined total of approximately 6,200 kWh of electricity per year with gravity pipelines, in addition to other planned rehabilitation upgrades included in the Sewer Master Plan.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reduction:** The EPIC mitigation calculator was used to quantify emission reductions for Measure N, which estimates wastewater emissions reductions from methane capture, reductions from water treatment and distribution facilities, and changes in the supply network, including greater use of recycled water.

**Responsibility and Implementation:** The City of Carlsbad would be responsible for making the improvements to water supply conveyance, treatment, and distribution, which could occur through improvements to the Carlsbad Municipal Water District's system.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private:</u> There would be no private costs for this measure.

<u>City:</u> Costs to the City of Carlsbad are from implementing the improvements to the water utilities system. Benefits occur by reducing energy costs and having newer water delivery infrastructure.

Meas	ure O: Encourage the Installation of Greywater and Rair	water Collection Systems				
Goal: Encourage the installation of greywater and rainwater collection systems with a goal of 15 percent of homes by 2035.						
Action	s:					
O-1:	Host workshops on greywater and rainwater collection sys Water District, or partner with existing workshop providers systems suitable for their property. (Mid-term)					
O-2:	Create a design reference manual, or provide links to an early and rainwater collection systems. (Mid-term)	existing one, for the design of greywater				
O-3:	Evaluate the feasibility of offering a rebate for residential g	greywater systems that require a permit				

**Already-Projected Amount:** There is no projection for this measure.

to cover the cost of obtaining a permit. (Mid-term)

**Target:** The target is for 15 percent of single-family homes to have greywater and rainwater collection systems installed by 2035.

GHG Reduction Measure Description: Greywater is wastewater generated from hand washing, laundry machines, and showers and baths that have not been contaminated by any toilet discharge. Greywater can be recycled onsite for toilet flushing and subsurface (below ground) landscape irrigation using a greywater system. The regulations for the design, construction and use of greywater systems are in Chapter 16A of the California Plumbing Code. Some small greywater systems that involve laundry machines or single fixtures only are exempt from permits. More complicated greywater systems require building permits from the City. Rainwater harvesting is the practice of collecting rainwater from hard surfaces, such as roofs, and storing it in barrels or cisterns, which can be used for landscape irrigation.

Measure O is to promote the use of on-site greywater and rainwater collection systems for residences.

**Quantification of GHG Emissions Reductions:** Nationwide, about seven percent of U.S. GHG emissions are from water and wastewater service provision to urban populations.<sup>49</sup> For this measure, it was assumed that seven percent of the citywide emissions are from water provision and wastewater services.<sup>50</sup> Therefore, about 32,000 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e of 2035 emissions are from water provision and wastewater services.

If maximally pursued, the use of greywater and rainwater collection systems could reduce water demands by 25 percent on a statewide scale.<sup>51</sup> For this measure, it was assumed the 25 percent reduction in water demand would scale to individual houses that implement greywater and rainwater collection systems. A goal of 15 percent of homes with greywater and rainwater harvesting systems was chosen. A 25 percent reduction of water use in 15 percent of homes corresponds to a GHG reduction of about 1,205 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e.

Responsibility and Implementation: Homeowners would be responsible for the installation of greywater and rainwater collection systems. The City of Carlsbad will, through the Carlsbad Municipal Water District, host greywater and rainwater harvesting workshops, or partner with existing workshop providers. The City will also reference or develop a greywater and rainwater collection system design manual and consider offering a rebate for residential greywater systems that require a permit to cover the cost of obtaining a permit.

#### **Costs and Benefits:**

<u>Private:</u> Costs to homeowners would be from constructing and maintaining greywater and rainwater collection systems. Benefits would accrue over time through water savings.

<u>City:</u> Costs to the City of Carlsbad are from hosting workshops and developing or reviewing greywater and rainwater collection manuals to adopt.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> Source: V. Novotny. 2010. "Urban Water and Energy Use: From Current US Use to Cities of the Future." *Cities of the Future/Urban River Restoration*. Water Environment Federation. 9: 118-140.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> The 7 percent estimate was used for the purpose of this reduction measure because the Chapter 2 inventory did not directly quantify all emissions associated with water use, but rather included those as part of commercial, industrial and residential energy use (e.g. heating water).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> Source: J. Loux, R. Winer-Skonovd, E. Gellerman. 2012. "Evaluation of Combined Rainwater and Greywater Systems for Multiple Development Types in Mediterranean Climates." *Journal of Water Sustainability*. 2(1): 55-77.

# 4.12 Combined Effect of CAP GHG Reduction Measures and Forecast with CAP

Table 4-1 shows a summary of the CAP GHG reduction measures. While the individual measures may be implemented over different timescales, for the purposes of calculating their impact in this section, it was assumed that the effect of all measures would begin in the midterm time frame and increase linearly to reach the full reduction potential in the year 2035. Table 4-2 shows proposed residential energy conservation, commercial energy conservation, and transportation demand management ordinances adjacent to the applicable reduction measures.

As a whole, the CAP GHG reduction measures were designed to enable Carlsbad to achieve its GHG reduction target in the year 2035. The combined GHG reductions from these measures is 185,919 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2035, which cover the emissions "gap" identified in Chapter 3. Table 4-3 adds the effect of the CAP GHG reduction measures to the community forecast, and compares the resulting forecast with CAP GHG reduction measures to emission targets. As proposed, this CAP meets the emissions targets for both 2020 and 2035. Interim "milestone" years 2025 and 2030 are presented in Table 4-3 in order for the city to check its progress towards meeting the 2035 target. Figure 4-1 shows the forecast with CAP reduction measures compared to the emissions targets to demonstrate that both 2020 and 2035 targets will be met with the implementation of this CAP.

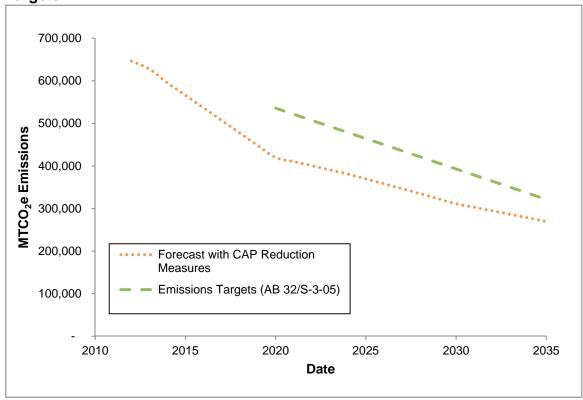
For this CAP to successfully be implemented, the City of Carlsbad must play a prominent role in implementing the CAP GHG reduction measures. In addition to responsibility and implementation covered for each measure in this chapter, the following chapter discusses how the CAP will be revised and updated in the future to ensure that the targets are met.

TABLE 4-1: CAP GHG REDUCTION MEASURES SUMMARY					
Measure Letter	GHG Reduction Measures	GHG Reduction in 2035 (MTCO₂e)			
A	Install residential PV systems	10,136			
В	Install commercial and industrial PV systems	13,336			
С	Promote building cogeneration for large commercial and industrial facilities	1,067			
D	Encourage single-family residential efficiency retrofits	1,132			
E	Encourage multi-family residential efficiency retrofits	351			
F	Encourage commercial and city facility efficiency retrofits	18,377			
G	Promote commercial and city facility commissioning, or improving building operations	18,377			
Н	Implementation of Green Building Code	179			
1	Replace Incandescent bulbs with LED bulbs	21,900			
J	New construction residential and commercial solar water heater/heat pump installation & retrofit of existing residential	11,604			
K	Promote Transportation Demand Management	23,549			
L	Increase zero-emissions vehicle travel	54,158			
M	Develop more citywide renewable energy projects	4,580			
N	Reduce the GHG intensity of water supply conveyance, treatment and delivery	5,968			
0	Encourage the installation of greywater and rainwater systems	1,205			
Total GHG	Reductions	185,919			

TABLE 4-2: LIST OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND APPLICABLE MEASURES				
PROPOSED ORDINANCES	Applicable Measures			
Residential Energy Conservation Ordinance	A, D, E, H, I, J, L			
Commercial Energy Conservation Ordinance	B, F, H, I, J, L			
Transportation Demand Management Ordinance	К			

	TABLE 4-3: FORECAST COMMUNITY EMISSIONS WITH CAP GHG REDUCTION MEASURES AND TARGETS								
Year	Modified Baseline Forecast (From Chapter 3) (MTCO₂e)	CAP GHG Reduction Measures (Phased in Linearly to 2035) (MTCO₂e)	Forecast Community Emissions with CAP GHG Reduction Measures	GHG Emission Targets (Linear Scaling of AB 32/S-3-05) (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Emission Target Met?				
2020	473,082	53,120	419,962	535,763	Yes				
2025	467,018	97,386	369,632	464,328					
2030	452,762	141,654	311,108	392,893					
2035	455,556	185,919	269,637	321,458	Yes				

Figure 4-1: Forecast Community Emissions with CAP Reduction Measures and Targets



# 5

# Implementation, Monitoring and Reporting

Chapters 3 and 4 identify a comprehensive set of goals and specific, enforceable measures and actions that the city will take in order to meet its GHG emissions targets. Implementation and monitoring are key to ensuring that the city is successful in reaching those targets. The city will use an adaptive management approach to CAP implementation. Adjustments to management actions will be made as needed to support continuous improvement based on measured results, monitoring effectiveness, new technology, or in response to deficiencies in program assessment results. This chapter describes how the City of Carlsbad will implement the CAP and monitor and report on its effectiveness, consistent with State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15183.5(b)(1)(D) and (E).

For discretionary projects seeking to use CEQA streamlining provisions, in an environmental document the city shall refer to the required measures in this CAP as mandatory conditions of approval or as mitigation. This will enable projects to benefit from CEQA streamlining provisions, while ensuring that the city can achieve the reduction targets outlined in this plan.

# 5.1 Implementation

Table 5-1 lists all of the measures and actions identified in Chapters 3 and 4 along with the following information:

**Responsible Department:** The city department(s) that will be primarily responsible for implementing, monitoring, and reporting on the progress for each measure.

**Annual GHG Reduction Goal:** The estimated annual emission reductions anticipated by target years 2020 and 2035, and interim milestone years 2025 and 2030.

**Performance Target:** The expected quantified outcome of the GHG reduction measure.

**Progress Indicators:** The types of data that will be collected to measure progress toward the performance target and correlate to GHG emissions reductions. Progress indicators will be confirmed as part of the implementation of each measure. If a recommended progress

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indicator is found to be infeasible to collect or track, an alternative indicator will be identified.

**Unit of Measure:** Input units used to calculate GHG emissions reductions (MTCO<sub>2</sub>e), whereby:

Gallons of water = water consumption kWh/MWh = electricity consumption in kilowatt-hours or megawatt-hours  $MTCO_2e$  = metric tons of CO2 equivalent emissions Therm = natural gas consumption in therms VMT = vehicle miles traveled

**Implementation Timeframe:** The schedule by which each action is to be implemented, beginning from the year the CAP is adopted, as follows:

Short-term – one to two years
Mid-term – two to five years
Short to Long-term, or Mid-to Long-term – actions that will begin in the short or
mid-term, but take longer than five years to fully implement.

Measure / Actions	Responsible	Annual GHG Reduction	Performance Target	Unit of Measure	Implementation Timeframe
	Department(s)	Goals (MTCO₂e)	○ Progress Indicators		
neral Plan Measures (see Section 3.6 for c	omplete descriptions)				
Bikeway system improvements	Public Works, Community & Economic Development	<b>2020: 164</b> 2025: 159 2030: 153	Achieve 2.85 miles of bike lanes per square mile, corresponding to .07% VMT reduction  o Miles of bikeways added	VMT	Short to Long- term
		2035: 147	o Miles of bikeways enhanced		
Pedestrian improvements and increased connectivity	Public Works, Parks & Recreation, Community & Economic Development	<b>2020: 2,341</b> 2025: 2,268 2030: 2,194 <b>2035: 2,106</b>	VMT reduction     Miles of pedestrian and trail     improvements     Number of new connection points	VMT	Short to Long term
Traffic calming	Public Works, Community & Economic Development	<b>2020: 585</b> 2025: 567 2030: 548 <b>2035: 526</b>	.25% VMT reduction     Number of traffic calming devices installed     Vehicle travelway width reduction     Pedestrian crossing width reduction	VMT	Short to Long term
Parking facilities and policies	Public Works, Community & Economic Development	2020: 4,682 2025: 4,535 2030: 4,388 2035: 4,211	2% VMT reduction  o % reduction in parking standards o Number of projects with alternative parking provisions (shared parking, unbundled parking cost, valet, etc.) o Number of EV parking spaces installed	VMT	Short to Long- term
Transportation improvements	Public Works,	2020: 1,475	.63 VMT reduction	VMT	Short to Long

TABLE 5-1: CAP IMPLEMENTATION MA	TRIX				
Measure / Actions	Responsible	Annual GHG Reduction	Performance Target	Unit of	Implementation Timeframe
weasure / Actions	Department(s)	Goals (MTCO₂e)	o Progress Indicators	Measure	
	Community & Economic Development		MTCO₂e	term	
CAP Measures (see Sections 4.1 - 4.11 for co	emplete descriptions)				1
A – Promote installation of residential photovoltaic systems		2020: 2,896 2025: 5,309 2030: 7,723 2035: 10,136	Promote installation of residential PV systems to produce an additional 9.1 MW above already projected amounts, or the equivalent of 2,682 more homes with PV systems, by 2035		
A-1: Temporarily suspend PV system permit fees	Community & Economic Development, Communications		<ul><li>Number of promotional events</li><li>MW installed PV</li></ul>	kWh	Short-term
A-2: Review local regulations for constraints on PV	Community & Economic Development		n/a		Short to Long- term
A-3: Adopt ordinance requiring PV in new residential construction	Community & Economic Development		Ordinance adoption     MW installed PV	kWh	Short-term
B - Promote Installation of commercial and industrial photovoltaic systems		2020: 3,810 2025: 6,986 2030: 10,161 2035: 13,336	Promote installation of commercial and industrial PV systems to produce an additional 10.7 MW per year above projected amounts, or roughly 15 percent of projected commercial and industrial electricity use, by 2035		

Measure / Actions	Responsible	Annual GHG Reduction	Performance Target	Unit of	Implementation Timeframe
Measure / Actions	Department(s)	Goals (MTCO₂e)	o Progress Indicators	Measure	
B-1: Require PV on large new nonresidential construction	Community & Economic Development		Ordinance adopted     MW installed PV	kWh	Short-term
B-2: Adopt an ordinance requiring existing nonresidential developments to install PV panels to offset a portion of their energy use	Community & Economic Development		Ordinance adopted     MW installed PV	kWh	Mid-term
C - Promote building cogeneration for large commercial and industrial facilities		2020: 305 2025: 559 2030: 813 2035: 1,067	Promote building cogeneration for large commercial and industrial facilities, with the goal of producing 6.9 MW		
C-1: Promote cogeneration	Public Works, Communications		Promotional activities conducted     Number and/or sq. footage of SGIP-funded projects	kWh/therms	Short-term
C-2: Install cogeneration systems for large city facilities where beneficial	Public Works		MW installed co-generation systems	kWh/therms	Mid to Long-term
C-3: Require cogeneration systems for large commercial and industrial facilities that have on-site electricity production	Community & Economic Development		MW installed co-generation systems	kWh/therms	Mid-term

### **TABLE 5-1: CAP IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX**

Measure / Actions	Responsible	Annual GHG Reduction	Performance Target	Unit of Measure	Implementation Timeframe
measure / Addons	Department(s)	Goals (MTCO₂e)	○ Progress Indicators		
D - Encourage single-family residential efficiency retrofits		2020: 323 2025: 593 2030: 862 2035: 1,132	Encourage single-family residential efficiency retrofits with the goal of a 50 percent energy reduction compared to baseline in 30 percent of the total single-family homes citywide by 2035 (approximately 10,000 single-family homes out of a total of 35,000)		
D-1: Promote residential energy efficiency incentive and rebate programs	Public Works, Communications		o Promotional activities conducted	kWh/therms	Short-term
D-2: Create a citywide "Energy Challenge"	Public Works, Communications		<ul> <li>Program launch</li> <li>Promotional activities conducted</li> <li>Number of program participants and/or</li> <li>sq. footage of buildings in program</li> </ul>	kWh/therms	Short-term
D-3: Require residential energy audits/retrofits	Community & Economic Development		<ul><li>Ordinance adopted</li><li>Number and/or sq. footage of existing homes retrofitted</li></ul>	kWh/therms	Short-term
E - Encourage multi-family residential efficiency retrofits		2020: 100 2025: 184 2030: 267 2035: 351	Encourage multi-family residential efficiency retrofits with the goal of a 50 percent energy reduction in 30 percent of the projected amount of multi-family homes citywide by 2035 (approximately 5,000 out of a total of 17,000)		
(See Measure D above)	Public Works, Communications, Community & Economic Development		o See Actions D-1 through D-3 above	kWh/therms	Short-term

Measure / Actions	Responsible Red Department(s)	Annual GHG Reduction	Performance Target	Unit of Measure	Implementation Timeframe
		Goals (MTCO₂e)	o Progress Indicators		
F - Encourage commercial and city facility efficiency retrofits		2020: 5,251 2025: 9,626 2030: 14,002 2035: 18,377	Encourage commercial and city facility efficiency retrofits with the goal of a 40 percent energy reduction in 30 percent of commercial square footage citywide and in city facilities by 2035		
F-1: Install energy efficiency retrofits for city-owned buildings	Public Works		<ul><li>Sq. footage of buildings retrofitted</li><li>% energy use reduction</li></ul>	kWh/therms	Short-term
F-2: Promote nonresidential energy efficiency incentive and rebate programs	Public Works, Community & Economic Development, Communications		<ul> <li>Promotional activities conducted</li> <li>Number of program participants and/or sq. footage of buildings retrofitted</li> <li>% energy use reduction</li> </ul>	kWh/therms	Short-term
F-3: Require nonresidential energy audits/retrofits	Community & Economic Development		<ul> <li>Ordinance adopted</li> <li>Number and/or sq. footage of existing buildings retrofitted</li> <li>% energy use reduction</li> </ul>	kWh/therms	Short-term
G - Promote commercial and city facility commissioning		2020: 5,251 2025: 9,626 2030: 14,002 2035: 18,377	Encourage commercial and city facility commissioning, or improving existing and new building operations, with the goal of a 40 percent energy reduction in 30 percent of commercial square footage citywide and in city-owned buildings by 2035		

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mousure, Addienc	Department(s)	Goals (MTCO₂e)	○ Progress Indicators	Measure	Timeframe	
G-1: Promote commercial commissioning	Public Works, Community & Economic Development, Communications		<ul> <li>Promotional activities conducted</li> <li>Number and/or sq. footage of commissioned buildings</li> <li>% energy use reduction</li> </ul>	kWh/therms	Short-term	
G-2: Commission city facilities	Public Works		Number and/or sq. footage of commissioned buildings     % energy use reduction	kWh/therms	Mid-term	
H - Implement green building measures		2020: 51 2025: 94 2030: 136 2035: 179	Implementation of a 5 percent improvement in energy efficiency above the City of Carlsbad residential green building code (based on CALGreen, the statewide green building code), for new construction			
H-1: Increase Green Building Code requirements by five percent.	Community & Economic Development		Ordinance adopted     Number and/or sq. footage of buildings     with enhanced GBC features	kWh/therms MTCO <sub>2</sub> e	Short-term	
I - Promote replacement of incandescent and halogen bulbs with LED or other energy efficient lamps		<b>2020: 6,257</b> 2025: 11,471 2030: 16,686 <b>2035: 21,900</b>	Replace 50 percent of incandescent and halogen light bulbs citywide with LED or similarly efficient lighting by 2035			
I-1: Replace incandescent and halogen light bulbs in city facilities	Public Works		Building sq footage upgraded     Number of fixtures replaced	kWh	Short-term	
I-2: Promote the use of LED rebate programs	Public Works, Communications		o Promotional activities conducted	kWh	Short-term	

Measure / Actions	Responsible	Annual GHG Reduction	Performance Target	Unit of	Implementation Timeframe
incusure / Actions	Department(s)	Goals (MTCO₂e)	○ Progress Indicators	Measure	
I-3: Develop natural lighting and ventilation standards; install city facility demonstration project	Community & Economic Development Public Works		<ul> <li>Feasibility study conducted</li> <li>Number of buildings with natural lighting and ventilation features</li> <li>% energy use reduction</li> </ul>	kWh/therms	Mid-term
J - New construction residential and commercial solar water heater/heat pump installation & retrofit of existing residential		2020: 3,315 2025: 6,078 2030: 8,841 2035: 11,604	Install solar water heaters or heat pumps on all new residential and commercial construction. Retrofit up to 30 percent of existing homes and commercial buildings to include solar water heaters or heat pumps		
J-1: Promote residential solar water heaters and heat pump retrofit incentive, rebate and financing programs	Public Works, Communications		Promotional activities conducted     Solar heater/heat pump installations	kWh/therms	Short-term
J-2: Solar water heater and heat pump ordinance for new nonresidential construction	Community & Economic Development		Ordinance adopted     Solar heater/heat pump installations     MW installed PV	kWh/therms	Short-term
K - Promote transportation demand management strategies		2020: 6,728 2025: 12,335 2030: 17,942 2035: 23,549	Promote Transportation Demand Management Strategies with a goal of achieving a 10 percent increase in alternative mode use by workers in Carlsbad, for a total of 32 percent alternative mode use		
K-1: Adopt citywide transportation demand management (TDM) plan	Community & Economic Development, Public Works		<ul><li> TDM plan adopted</li><li> TDM participation rates</li><li> % VMT reduced</li></ul>	VMT	Short-term

#### TABLE 5-1: CAP IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX **Annual GHG Performance Target** Responsible Reduction Unit of Implementation Measure / Actions Department(s) Goals Measure **Timeframe** Progress Indicators (MTCO<sub>2</sub>e) Community & Economic o TDM ordinance adopted Development, K-2: Adopt TDM ordinance o TDM participation rates VMT Mid-term o % VMT reduced Public Works 2020: 15.474 Promote an increase in the amount of L - Promote an increase in the amount of 2025: 28,368 ZEV miles traveled from a projected 15 zero-emissions vehicle travel percent to 25 percent of total vehicle 2030: 41,263 miles traveled by 2035 2035: 54,158 Public Works. VMT L-1: Construct a "PV to EV" pilot o kW installed PV Community & Economic Short-term project o Number of ZEV charging units kWh Development Public Works. L-2: Prepare a community-wide o Siting Plan prepared Short-term Community & Economic charging station siting plan Development L-3: Construct ZEV charging o Number of charging stations installed VMT stations based on the community-wide Public Works Mid-term o kWh charging sessions charging station siting plan Public Works. Number of installed ZEV parking L-4: Offer dedicated ZEV parking spaces/charging stations VMT Mid-term Community & Economic and charging stations o kWh charging sessions Development Number of installed ZEV parking L-5: Adopt requirements for ZEV Community & Economic spaces/charging stations VMT Short-term parking for new developments. Development o kWh charging sessions

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Measure / Actions	Responsible	Annual GHG Reduction	Performance Target	Unit of Measure	Implementation Timeframe
Measure / Actions	Department(s)	Goals (MTCO₂e)	o Progress Indicators		
L-6: Require EV chargers or pre- wiring in new residential construction and major renovations.	Community & Economic Development		Ordinance adopted     Number of EV chargers installed	VMT	Short-term
L-7: Increase the proportion of city fleet low and zero–emissions vehicle miles traveled to 25 percent of all city-related VMT	Public Works		。% LEV and ZEV fleet VMT	VMT	Short-term
M - Develop more citywide renewable energy projects		2020: 1,309 2025: 2,399 2030: 3,490 2035: 4,580	Produce the equivalent amount of energy to power 2,000 homes (roughly equivalent to a 5 percent reduction) by 2035 from renewable energy projects		
M-1: Conduct a feasibility study to evaluate citywide renewable energy projects and prioritize accordingly.	Public Works		Feasibility study conducted		Short-term
M-2: Incorporate renewable energy measures such as PV system installation on city buildings and parking lots, or microturbine installation on city facilities	Public Works		MW installed renewable energy systems	MWh	Mid to Long-term
M-3: Pursue available funding sources for the construction of municipal renewable energy projects	Public Works		Number of EEFP or SGIP-funded projects	MWh	Mid to Long-term

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Measure / Actions	Responsible	Annual GHG Reduction	Performance Target	Unit of Measure	Implementation Timeframe
Measure / Actions	Department(s)	Goals (MTCO₂e)	o Progress Indicators		
N - Reduce the GHG intensity of water supply conveyance, treatment and distribution		2020: 1,705 2025: 3,126 2030: 4,547 2035: 5,968	Reduce the intensity of GHG emissions from water utilities (including water supply, wastewater, and recycled water) conveyance, treatment, and distribution by 8 percent by 2035		
N-1: Improve water utilities (including water supply, wastewater, and recycled water) conveyance, treatment and distribution, and other system improvements.	Public Works, Carlsbad Municipal Water District		<ul><li>Number of water system improvement projects</li><li>% energy use reduction</li></ul>	kWh	Mid to Long-term
O - Encourage the installation of greywater and rainwater systems		2020: 344 2025: 631 2030: 918 2035: 1,205	Encourage the installation of greywater and rainwater collection systems with a goal of 15 percent of homes by 2035		
O-1: Conduct greywater and rainwater collection systems workshops	Carlsbad Municipal Water District, Communications		<ul><li>Number of workshops conducted</li><li>% water use reduction</li></ul>	Gallons of water	Mid-term
O-2: Create a greywater design reference manual	Community & Economic Development, Carlsbad Municipal Water District		Reference manual created     % water use reduction	Gallons of water	Mid-term

TABLE 5-1: CAP IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX						
Measure / Actions	Responsible	Annual GHG Reduction	Performance Target	ance Target Unit of		
weasure / Actions	Department(s)	Goals (MTCO₂e)	o Progress Indicators	Measure	Timeframe	
O-3: Evaluate the feasibility of offering a rebate for residential greywater systems that require a permit to cover the cost of obtaining a permit.	Carlsbad Municipal Water District		<ul><li>Feasibility study conducted</li><li>Number of permit rebates issued</li><li>% water use reduction</li></ul>	Gallons of water	Mid-term	

# 5.2 Monitoring and Reporting

This CAP serves as a toolkit for the City of Carlsbad to reduce community-wide GHG emissions and meet emissions targets. Climate action planning, however, is an iterative and adaptive management process: it requires administration, public outreach, monitoring progress and measuring results, periodically revisiting assumptions and adjusting provisions when necessary. Through regular monitoring and measuring the performance of CAP activities, the city will learn what is working and what is not. This will enable the city to make timely adjustments to existing measures, replace ineffective actions, and/or add new measures as changes in technology, federal and state programs, or other circumstances warrant.

Figure 5-1 shows the steps in the process of climate action planning.

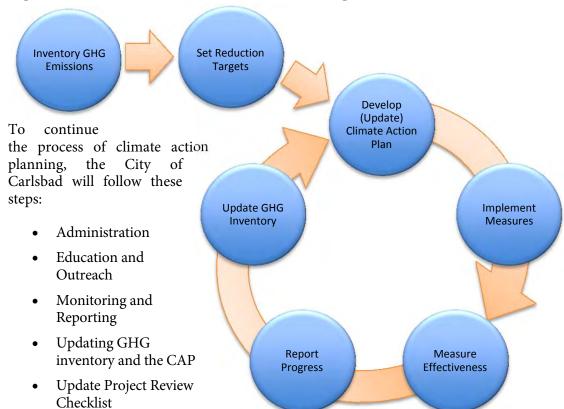


Figure 5-1: Process of Climate Action Planning

#### Administration

Following adoption of this CAP, the city will designate a CAP administrator and form an interdisciplinary CAP implementation team from within the city organization. The administrator, in conjunction with the implementation team, will be responsible for initial program start-up activities and for overseeing implementation, monitoring and reporting of all actions described in the CAP. The composition of the implementation team may vary from time to time as needed, but it is expected that core members will include staff from

Public Works, Community and Economic Development, Finance, and Communications departments. As some of the monitoring and reporting activities will require coordination with other agencies, the implementation team will need to foster effective partnerships accordingly.

Operating resources for administering the CAP will be provided through the city's annual budget process. To maximize efficiency and maintain costs, the city will integrate CAP implementation activities into existing workloads and programs whenever possible. Potential private and public funding resources for individual GHG reduction measures are identified in the measure descriptions in Chapter 4. However, since program incentives and funding sources change over time, the CAP administrator and Implementation Team will need to keep current on available resources as GHG reduction measures are implemented.

#### **Education and Outreach**

A program of this scope and consequence will require substantial community support in order to succeed. Key to garnering this support is to raise the level of community awareness through education and outreach. Most of the individual GHG reduction measures in Chapter 4 include a promotion and education component. Appendix A provides a listing of internet resources on a variety of climate change-related topics. In addition to these features built into the CAP, the city will utilize its website, social media, and other communications channels to provide information about climate change science and anticipated impacts, and by providing residents and businesses with information and resources to help them take action. The city's website already has a good deal of information related to energy and water efficiency programs, and other environmental sustainability efforts. This Climate Action Plan is also available on the city's website. The city will build upon this base of resources by providing current information and links to various local, state and federal incentive programs to reduce one's carbon footprint, and provide assistance to homeowners, businesses, and contractors seeking to make energy efficiency improvements.

# **Monitoring and Reporting**

The City of Carlsbad will annually monitor and report on CAP implementation activities. The annual monitoring report will include implementation status of each action and progress towards achieving the performance targets of the corresponding emissions reduction measure. The annual monitoring report will also include information on the status of the federal and state level emissions reductions measures identified in Chapter 3 of this CAP, as well as any new efforts that may emerge in the reporting year. The annual report will be presented to the City Council at a public meeting during which interested parties may comment on the report.

# **Updating GHG Inventory and the CAP**

The city will update the community and government operations inventories for calendar year 2014 for inclusion in the first annual report, and then will update the inventories every three years thereafter. For continuity, the inventory updates will tally emissions from the same sectors analyzed in Chapter 2 of this CAP. If an updated inventory reveals that the plan is not making adequate progress toward meeting the GHG target, or that new technologies and

programs emerge that warrant inclusion in the CAP, the city will adjust the CAP by modifying, adding, and/or replacing measures as necessary. New opportunities for GHG reductions, including new funding sources and the ability to link city reduction actions to the city's Capital Improvement Plan, Infrastructure Replacement and Fleet Vehicle Replacement schedules, and other programs can also be incorporated into future updates of the CAP. Interim "milestone" targets for years 2025 and 2030 as shown in Table 4-3 will be used to gauge whether the city is making adequate progress toward meeting the 2035 target. Recommendations to adjust the CAP may be presented to the City Council as part of the annual report or at any other time throughout the year as necessary to ensure effective CAP implementation.

# 5.3 Project Review Thresholds and Checklist

### **Compliance with CAP**

During the course of project review, city will evaluate whether a project is subject to provisions of this CAP, using the screening criteria below. Once this is established, a project shall comply with the CAP in one of two ways:

- Checklist Approach. The Project Review Checklist below provides direction about measures to be incorporated in individual projects, which will be used during the normal development review process. Project features that help a project meet the provisions of the CAP shall then become part of project conditions of approval.
- Self-Developed Program Approach. Rather than use the standard checklist, project proponents can develop their own program that would result in the same outcome as the checklist. Appendix E provides a non-exclusive list of potential mitigation measures that can be applied at the project level to reduce project-level greenhouse gas emissions. Other measures not listed in the Appendix may be considered, provided that their effectiveness in reducing greenhouse gas emissions can be demonstrated. The self-developed program approach and selection of mitigation measures shall be subject to city review and approval.

# **CEQA Streamlining**

# **Project Screening Thresholds**

The California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA) published various screening thresholds to guide lead agencies in determining which projects require greenhouse gas analysis and mitigation for significant impacts related to climate change. Utilizing this guidance, the City has determined that new development projects emitting less than 900 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e annual GHG would not contribute considerably to cumulative climate change impacts, and therefore do not need to demonstrate consistency with the CAP. Table 5-2 lists

types and sizes of projects that correspond to the 900 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e screening threshold; projects equal to or exceeding these thresholds would be subject to CAP measures.<sup>52</sup>

TABLE 5-2: PROJECT REVIEW THRESHOLDS				
Project/Plan Type	Screening Threshold			
Single-Family Housing	50 dwelling units			
Multi-family Housing	70 dwelling units			
Office	35,000 square feet			
Retail Store	11,000 square feet			
Grocery Store	6,300 square feet			
Source: Adapted from California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA). CEQA and Climate Change, Evaluating and Addressing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Projects Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (January 2008).				
Note: For project types not listed in this table, the need for GHG analysis and mitigation will be made on a project-specific basis, considering the 900 MTCO₂e screening threshold.				

### **Project Review Checklist**

For proposed projects above the screening thresholds, project proponents shall complete the CAP Project Review Checklist (similar to that shown in Table 5-3). For each item on the checklist, project proponents shall indicate whether or not the measure is included as part of the project, or if it is not applicable. The checklist is designed to meet the targets set for the measures presented in Chapter 4. The checklist shown in Table 5-3 is preliminary and illustrative of the items that will be included in the finalized checklist. The city will provide a final checklist incorporating requirements in ordinances drafted for the CAP.

TABLE 5-3: PRELIMINARY CAP PROJECT REVIEW CHECKLIST					
RENEWABLE ENERGY PRODUCTION					
1. For new nonresidential projects with more than 50 cars surface parked or on roofs of parking structures, would the project include PV panels over at least half of the surface/roof-parked cars or other equivalent renewable energy production?	□ Included	☐ Not Applicable			
Explanation:  Describe the measures taken to meet this requirement, if applicable.					

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> If a proposed project is below the screening criteria, GHG emissions would still be reduced through compliance with applicable City of Carlsbad General Plan goals and policies, ordinances and regulations.

TABLE 5-3: PRELIMINARY CAP PROJECT REVIEW CHECKLIST					
COGENERATION					
2. For the construction or retrofit of a large commercial or industrial facility with an on-site electricity production, would the proposed project include a building cogeneration system?	□ Included	☐ Not Applicable			
Explanation:					
ENERGY CONSERVATION ORDINANCES					
3. For residential and commercial construction or major renovations, would the proposed project meet the requirements in the applicable energy conservation ordinance?	□ Included	☐ Not Applicable			
Explanation:					
GREEN BUILDING CODE					
4. Would the proposed project meet the energy efficiency standard of 5 percent above Title 24 standards (CALGreen)?	☐ Included	☐ Not Applicable			
Explanation:					
SOLAR WATER HEATERS/HEAT PUMPS					
5. For residential and commercial projects, does the project include solar water heaters to reduce the energy needed for residential water heating by 50 percent, or heat pumps to reduce the heating/cooling load by 50 percent?	□ Included	☐ Not Applicable			
Explanation:					

TABLE 5-3: PRELIMINARY CAP PROJECT REVIEW CHECKLIST						
TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT						
6. For proposed projects that meet the minimum trip generation thresholds set in the City of Carlsbad Transportation Demand Management (TDM) ordinance, does the project include a TDM plan, containing a description of how minimum alternative mode use will be achieved and maintained over the life of the project?	□ Included	☐ Not Applicable				
Explanation:						
Include TDM plan if applicable.						
ZERO-EMISSIONS VEHICLES						
7. For proposed projects subject to the City of Carlsbad off-street parking requirements, does the proposed project provide preferential parking for electric vehicles and/or charging stations for electric vehicle use?	□ Included	☐ Not Applicable				
Explanation:						
OTHER GHG REDUCTION MEASURES AND/OR FEATURES						
8. Describe other GHG reductions measures and/or features of the proposed project:	□ Included	☐ Not Included				
Explanation:						

A completed CAP Project Review Checklist, including supporting documentation for applicable measures, demonstrates a proposed project complies with the CAP.

As an alternative to utilizing the Project Review Checklist, a project proponent may develop a project-specific GHG emissions reduction program that would achieve the same required GHG reductions. Appendix E to the CAP provides a non-exclusive list of mitigation measures which may be considered by a project proponent for inclusion in a project-specific GHG emissions reduction program. The reduction measures identified in the CAP and Appendix E are non-exclusive, and other effective reduction measures may be available or become available in the future. The type, character, and level of mitigation would depend on the project type, size, location, context, and other factors. The availability of mitigation

measures changes over time, as well, with new technologies, building materials, building design practices, and other changes. Therefore, in developing project-specific reductions measures, the city recommends that a project proponent refer to current guidance from CAPCOA, ARB, OPR, California Attorney General, and SANDAG to determine applicable mitigation measures and estimate their effectiveness (see references in Appendix C).

### **Updating Project Review Checklist**

The Project Review Checklist will be finalized by the City of Carlsbad during the first year of CAP implementation, and updated as necessary to reflect lessons learned through project streamlining. Federal, state, and San Diego Air Pollution Control District actions will be monitored to identify future changes to federal or state standards or guidelines that affect implementation of the CAP. Any changes to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and CEQA Guidelines will also be integrated into the Project Review Checklist.

# **Appendix A**

# Climate Change Informational Resources

Combating climate change requires education and personal action. This section contains resources on climate change and its impacts, calculating individual carbon footprints, and ways to reduce individual carbon footprints.

#### **Education**

The evidence is clear that climate change is happening. Humans are largely responsible for recent climate change. International scientific bodies, federal agencies, and state agencies have numerous resources that summarize the current scientific understanding of climate change and the latest projections of climate change impacts.

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change is the leading international body for the assessment of climate change:

• <a href="http://www.ipcc.ch/">http://www.ipcc.ch/</a>

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) has documented recent impacts and future trends of climate change:

• http://climate.nasa.gov/effects

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has information of climate change, and it's effects:

• http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/basics/

Cal-Adapt, a product of the Public Interest Energy Research (PIER) program, funded by the California Energy Commission, provides California-specific climate change research, including interactive climate tools:

• <a href="http://cal-adapt.org/">http://cal-adapt.org/</a>

# **Carbon Footprint**

A carbon footprint is a measure of the total amount of GHG emissions produced by an individual. It can be thought of as a personal inventory of one's impacts on climate change.

There are a number of online calculators that estimate personal carbon footprints. Individuals can use the following carbon footprint calculators as a guide to help reduce personal carbon emissions.

#### U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

• http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/ghgemissions/ind-calculator.html

#### Cool California

• <a href="http://www.coolcalifornia.org/calculator">http://www.coolcalifornia.org/calculator</a>

#### **Cool Climate Network**

• http://coolclimate.berkeley.edu/carboncalculator

#### **Nature Conservancy**

• http://www.nature.org/greenliving/carboncalculator/index.htm

#### **Conservation International**

 $\bullet \quad \underline{http://www.conservation.org/act/live\_green/carboncalc/Pages/default.aspx}$ 

#### Earth Lab

• https://www.earthlab.com/createprofile/reg.aspx

#### **Carbon Footprint**

• http://www.carbonfootprint.com/calculator1.html

#### **EarthLab**

http://www.earthlab.com/carbon-footprint/California-carbon-calculator.aspx

#### **Global Footprint Network**

• http://www.footprintnetwork.org/en/index.php/gfn/page/calculators/

# **Reducing your Carbon Footprint**

Reducing one's personal carbon footprint saves money, decreases impact on the environment, and helps fight climate change. The following links provide resources from federal and state agencies on changes one can make in his or her day-to-day life to diminish GHG emissions.

#### U.S. EPA: What can you do at home?

http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/wycd/home.html

#### U.S. EPA: What can you do at school?

• <a href="http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/wycd/school.html">http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/wycd/school.html</a>

#### U.S. EPA: What can you do on the road?

• <a href="http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/wycd/road.html">http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/wycd/road.html</a>

#### U.S Department of Energy: Save energy, save money

• <a href="http://energy.gov/energysaver/energy-saver">http://energy.gov/energysaver/energy-saver</a>

#### California Environmental Protection Agency: Climate change resources for individuals

• http://www.climatechange.ca.gov/individuals.html

#### California Air Resources Board: Low emissions vehicles

• <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/consumer\_info/advanced\_clean\_cars/consumer\_acc.h">http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/consumer\_info/advanced\_clean\_cars/consumer\_acc.h</a> <a href="mailto:tm">tm</a>

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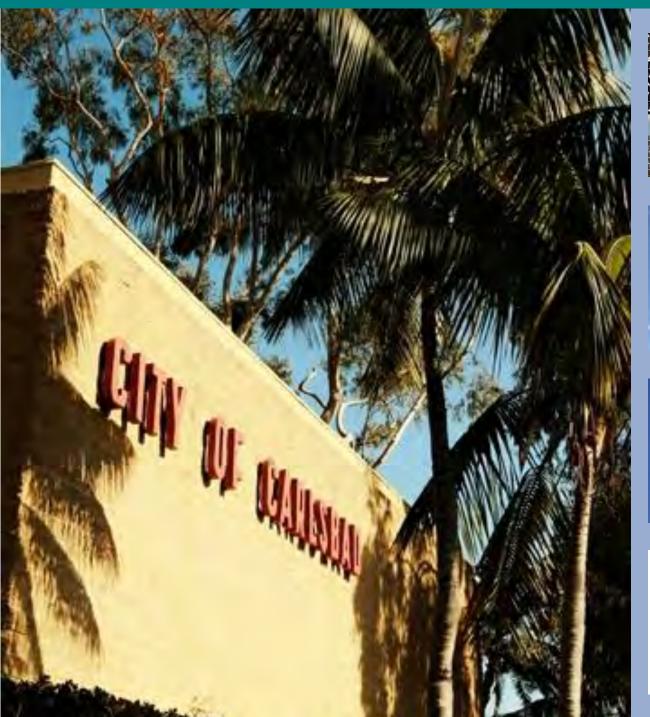
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### **Appendix B-1**

### 2005 City of Carlsbad Greenhouse Gas Inventory

## City of Carlsbad 2005 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory













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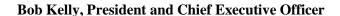
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Over the next few years, The San Diego Foundation will work in partnership with ICLEI to engage local governments and public agencies to develop local climate action plans to reduce emissions and vulnerabilities to climate change in our region, bring more resources to support model programs to promote —geen" economic growth and build a more sustainable region, and build public awareness and support for climate action.

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# **Executive Summary**

The City of Carlsbad has established strategic goals that help guide the Council in it decisions and in its direction to City staff. Included within these strategic goals is the concept of creating a community that will help provide a sustainable high quality of life for its citizens for generations to come. The Council recognizes that the concept of sustainability includes social, economic and environmental components which must be considered and provided for in order to achieve a healthy community.

In August, 2007 the Council formally adopted a set of guiding principles describing the overarching goal of sustainability and the environmental component. By adopting these principles, the Council clarified its commitment to creating a community with a sustainable environmental component including, but not limited to, the efficient use of non-renewable resources, stewardship of natural and constructed open spaces, development of a drought resistant water supply, reduction in the City's waste stream and clean air and water.

Specifically, Carlsbad adopted a principal titled the Ethic of Conservation, which supports the conservation of non-renewable resources, including efforts to reduce the use of energy, greenhouse gas emissions (consistent with AB 32) and to find new and more energy efficient methods for delivering services. Carlsbad recognizes that local governments play a leading role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Local governments can dramatically reduce emissions from their government operations through such measures as increasing energy efficiency in facilities and vehicle fleets, utilizing renewable energy sources, enacting sustainable purchasing policies and reducing waste. The co-benefits of these measures may include lower energy bills, improved air quality, and more efficient government operations.

Carlsbad has begun its efforts in this area with the assistance of the partners in the San Diego Regional Climate Protection Initiative. These partners include the San Diego Foundation; local governments in San Diego County; and ICLEI.

This greenhouse gas emissions inventory is an important step in helping Carlsbad to understand the various sources of green house gas emissions within Carlsbad operations and to learn where there are opportunities to improve our operations to not only reduce emissions but also make save money by making investments in more energy efficient programs. As advised by ICLEI, it is essential to first quantify emissions to establish:

- A baseline emissions inventory, against which to measure future progress.
- An understanding of the scale of emissions from various sources.

Presented here are estimates of greenhouse gas emissions in 2005 resulting from the City of Carlsbad's government operations and from the Carlsbad community-at-large. With one exception, all government operations emissions estimates in this report refer to emissions generated from sources over which the City has direct operational control, exclusive of physical location. This includes all government-operated facilities, streetlights, and other stationary sources; the on-road vehicle fleet and off-road equipment. The inventory also estimates emissions from the community-at-large. Community-scale emissions are reported by five primary sectors: residential, commercial/industrial, transportation, waste, and wastewater.

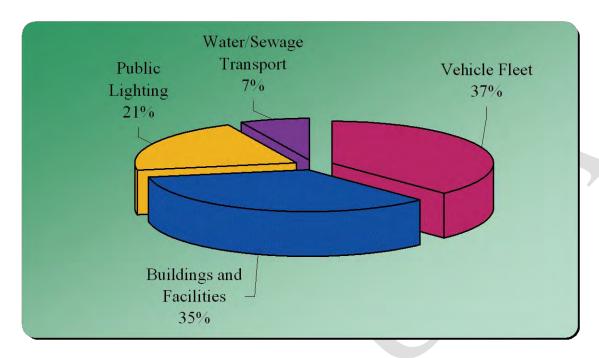
Like all emissions inventories, this document must rely on the best available data and calculation methodologies. Emissions estimates are subject to change as better data and calculation methodologies become available in the future. Nevertheless, the findings of this analysis provide a solid basis upon which Carlsbad can begin planning and taking action to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions.

This inventory is one of the first inventories to use a new national standard developed and adopted by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) in conjunction with ICLEI, the California Climate Action Registry, and The Climate Registry. This standard, called the Local Government Operations Protocol (LGOP), provides standard accounting principles, boundaries, quantification methods, and procedures for reporting greenhouse gas emissions from local government operations. The LGOP represents a strong step forward in standardizing how inventories are conducted and reported, providing a common national framework for all local governments to establish their emissions baseline.

<sup>1</sup> The exception is emissions from employee-owned vehicles that are used by employees during commuting.

<sup>2</sup> Facilities, vehicles, or other operations wholly or partially owned by, but not operated by the City of Carlsbad are not included in this inventory. See Appendix A for more details on the boundaries of the inventory.

Figure ES.1 2005 Carlsbad Government Operations Emissions by Sector



#### **Government Operations Inventory Results**

In 2005, Carlsbad's operational greenhouse gas emissions totaled 6,555 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e.<sup>3</sup> Of the total emissions accounted for in this inventory, emissions from the City's vehicle fleet were the largest (37 percent as shown in Figure ES.1 and Table ES.1). The next largest source of emissions resulted from buildings and facilities, followed by emissions from energy use in public lighting.

Cumulatively, Carlsbad spent approximately \$2,621,937 on energy for government operations in 2005. Of this total, 74 percent of these energy expenses (\$1,943,359) resulted from electricity consumption and 4 percent (\$108,321) from natural gas purchases from SDG&E. Fuel purchases (gasoline, diesel) for the vehicle fleet and mobile equipment totaled \$570,257, or 22 percent of total costs included in this inventory. These figures demonstrate the potential for significantly reducing energy costs while also mitigating climate change impacts and helping to stimulate green job development and economic recovery.

<sup>3</sup> This number represents a —roll-up" of emissions, and is not intended to represent a complete picture of emissions from Carlsbad's operations. This roll-up number should not be used for comparison with other local government roll-up numbers without a detailed analysis of the basis for this total.

Table ES.1: 2005 Government Operations Emissions by Sector

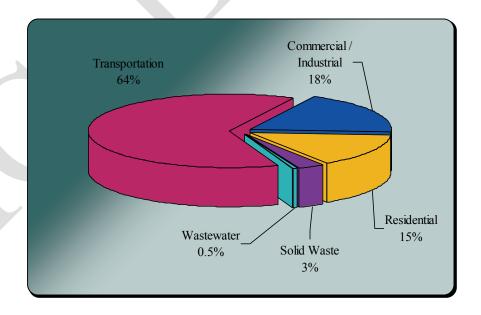
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Sector	Greenhouse Gas Emissions
Vehicle Fleet	2,474
Buildings and Facilities	2,266
Public Lighting	1,354
Water/Sewage Transport	461

All units are in metric tons CO2e

#### Community Inventory Results

In 2005, the Carlsbad community emitted approximately 925,248 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e. As shown in Figure ES.2 and Table ES.2 below, the transportation sector was by far the largest source of emissions, generating approximately 584,369 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e, or 64 percent of total 2005 emissions. Transportation sector emissions are the result of diesel and gasoline combustion in vehicles traveling on both local roads and state highways that pass through the jurisdictional boundaries of Carlsbad. Electricity and natural gas consumption within the Commercial / Industrial Sector, the second greatest source of 2005 emissions, generated 170,041 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e, or 18 percent of the total.<sup>4</sup> Similarly, electricity and natural gas use in Carlsbad's Residential Sector produced 136,427 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e, or 15 of total community emissions. The remaining 3 percent (34,412 metric tons) are estimated methane emissions from the solid waste and wastewater sectors.

Figure ES.2 2005 City of Carlsbad Community Emissions by Sector



 $<sup>^4</sup>$  This estimate excludes emissions from the combustion of natural gas at the Encina electricity generation facility, which totaled approximately 1,251,972 metric tons  $CO_2e$ . These emissions occur in within the jurisdictional boundaries of Carlsbad.

Table ES.2: 2005 Community Emissions Summary by Sector

	Greenhouse Gas Emissions
Sector	(metric tons CO2e)
Transportation	584,369
Commercial / Industrial	170,041
Residential	136,427
Solid Waste	30,015
Wastewater	4,397

## Section One: Introduction





### Introduction

Within the context of government operations, local governments have direct control over their emissions-generating activities. They can reduce energy consumption in buildings and facilities, reduce fuel consumption by fleet vehicles and equipment, reduce the amount of government-generated solid waste that is sent to a landfill, and increase the amount of energy that is obtained through alternative energy sources. By quantifying the emissions coming from government operations, this report will assist policymakers and stakeholders in developing plans that will assist Carlsbad in reducing GHG emissions and more efficiently using the limited resources we have available to us.

Local jurisdictions in California also have broad influence over activities in the community that generate greenhouse gas emissions, such as new construction, the operation of buildings and transportation, and solid waste disposal. That influence may be exercised directly through the jurisdiction's authority over local land use planning and building standards, and indirectly through programs that encourage sustainable behavior among local residents and businesses. The community inventory provides a starting point for addressing how the City can impact emissions within its jurisdictional boundaries.

#### 1.1 Purpose of Inventory

The objective of this greenhouse gas emissions inventory is to identify the sources and quantities of greenhouse gas emissions resulting in Carlsbad in 2005. This inventory is a necessary first step in addressing greenhouse gas emissions, serving two purposes:

- It creates an emissions baseline against which Carlsbad can set emissions reductions targets and measure future progress.
- It allows local governments to understand the scale of emissions from various sources.

While the City of Carlsbad has already begun to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through its actions (See Section 1.4 for more detail), this inventory represents the first step in a systems approach to reducing the City's emissions.

#### 1.2 Climate Change Mitigation Activities in California

Since 2005, the State of California has responded to growing concerns over the effects of climate change by adopting a comprehensive approach to addressing emissions in the public and private sectors. This approach was officially initiated with the passage of the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (AB 32), which requires the state to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020. It also requires the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to develop a policy plan for reaching AB32 emissions reduction goals and to adopt and enforce regulations to implement the plan.

The resulting AB 32 Scoping Plan was adopted by CARB in December 2008. Among many other strategies, it encourages local governments to reduce emissions in their jurisdictions by a degree commensurate with state goals, approximately 15 percent below current levels. In addition, it identifies the following strategies that will impact local governance:

- Develop a California cap-and-trade program
- Expand energy efficiency programs
- Establish and seek to achieve reduction targets for transportation-related GHG emissions
- Expand the use of green building practices
- Increase waste diversion, composting, and commercial recycling toward zero-waste
- Continue water efficiency programs and use cleaner energy sources to move and treat water
- Preserve forests that sequester carbon dioxide

Other measures taken by the state include mandating stronger vehicle emissions standards (AB 1493, 2002), establishing a low-carbon fuel standard (EO # S-01-07, 2007), mandating a climate adaptation plan for the state (S-EO # 13-08, 2008), establishing a Green Collar Job Council, and establishing a renewable energy portfolio standard for power generation or purchase in the state. The state also has made a number of legislative and regulatory changes that have significant implications for local governments:

• SB 97 (2007) requires the Office of Planning and Research to create greenhouse gas planning guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). In addition, CARB is tasked with creating energy-use and transportation thresholds in CEQA reviews, which may require local governments to account for greenhouse gas emissions when reviewing project applications.

- AB 811 (2007) authorizes all local governments in California to establish special districts that can be
  used to finance solar or other renewable energy improvements to homes and businesses in their
  jurisdiction.
- SB 375 (2008) revises the process of regional transportation planning by metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), which are governed by elected officials from local jurisdictions. The statute calls on CARB to establish regional transportation-related greenhouse gas targets and requires the MPO to develop a regional —Sustinable Communities Strategy" of land use, housing and transportation policies that will move the region towards its GHG target. The statute stipulates that transportation investments must be consistent with the Sustainable Communities Strategy and provides CEQA streamlining for local development projects that are consistent with the Strategy.

#### 1.3 Climate Change Mitigation Activities in Carlsbad

The City of Carlsbad has been very progressive in the energy and climate change arena and has already taken many steps to evaluate and reduce the City's energy consumption.

#### **California Climate Action Registry**

The City of Carlsbad is a member of the California Climate Action Registry (CCAR) and has voluntarily monitored and reported the City's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions since 2006.

#### **Energy Efficiency Improvements**

In 2005 the City of Carlsbad was selected as the pilot jurisdiction for an Energy Efficiency Program developed by the San Diego Association of Governments' (SANDAG) Energy Working Group (EWG). The Program was designed to help local governments reduce energy use, save on their utility bills, and promote conservation. This pilot project included developing a comprehensive energy management plan and facilitating energy-saving projects. Energy engineers from the San Diego Regional Energy Office (now the California Center for Sustainable Energy) performed energy assessments at several of the City of Carlsbad's buildings and identified energy-related improvements. This study identified thirty Energy Conservation Opportunities (ECOs) and estimated a total annual savings of \$150,408 with an implementation cost of \$1,039,868 (taking into account rebates), equating to a 6.9 year payback or a 15% return on investment.

Since the completion of the Energy Assessment Report in 2005, the City of Carlsbad has implemented many of the recommended energy-related improvements. For example, lighting retrofits have been completed in various facilities including the Senior Center, City Hall, Stagecoach and Calavera Community Centers, and the Carlsbad Municipal Water

District Maintenance and Operations Building. New chillers have been installed in the City Hall, Cole Library, and the Safety Center, and HVAC equipment efficiency has been improved in the Cole and Dove Libraries.

Thus far, the energy-related measures the City has taken are projected to save an annual 116,713 kWh and \$155,204.

#### Policy 71

The City Council adopted Policy 71 in July of 2006. This Policy outlines the following measures to help Carlsbad reach the goals set out by the City's Energy Conservation and Management Program:

- Maximize energy conservation measures when purchasing equipment and products
- Whenever practicable, design new facilities to be at least 25% more energy efficient than required by the State of California, Title 24 Energy Regulations.
- Strive to achieve LEED "Silver" Level Certification or the equivalent for all new City facilities.
- Maintain and operate City buildings in such a fashion that the minimum amounts of energy are consumed.
- Reduce demand on the energy grid and to enhance energy reliability and independence for City facilities.
- Continually evaluate and update the Building Code so that the most current energy conservation regulations are incorporated in the plans for the construction of buildings by the private sector.
- Create non-financial, building permit processing incentives (e.g. priority building permit processing and inspections) to developers of private property that demonstrate a commitment to building projects that exceed the minimum standards in the State of California, Title 24 Energy Regulations

#### **Sustainable Energy Master Plan**

In December of 2008 the City of Carlsbad released their Sustainable Energy Master Plan, a report on potential renewable energy sources and measures to reduce power consumption. This report evaluated a variety of energy efficiency and reduction measures including automated meter readings to monitor water meters and reduce operating costs, off peak water pumping to lower power costs, and variable speed motors to increase efficiency of HVAC systems and water pumps. The Report also evaluated green roofs which reduce inside building temperatures and remove GHGs from the air, as well as solar water heating systems and tankless water heating systems that would reduce energy consumption. Also discussed were hybrid and electric vehicles, energy efficient chillers, LEED, LED traffic signals and interconnection, induction and LED streetlights, and Energy Management Systems.

In terms of renewable energy, the report details solar photovoltaic systems and outlines potential locations for solar PV panels. Wind power and bioenergy were also examined as potential renewable energy sources. The Report also describes

hydrokinetic and wave energy, micro-hydropower generators, hydroelectric pressure-reducing stations, microturbine power generation, and fuel cells.

To save on vehicle fuel consumption, the City is pursuing traffic signal coordination on major corridors. The City of Carlsbad has also encouraged water conservation and has implemented water recycling projects to reduce the demand for imported water, thereby reducing energy consumption for pumping.

#### Fleet Related Energy Management

Over the last several years the City of Carlsbad has downsized their fleet while population continued to grow and service demands continued to increase. A large number of full-size pickups and sedans have been replaced with mid-size, compact, and hybrid vehicles.

#### **Hydro-Electric Project**

In early 2009 the City Council authorized moving forward with the development of a hydro-electric project which will produce an estimated 2,200 MWh of electricity per year. The energy is created by using micro-turbines instead of pressure reducing stations to adjust water pressure coming from the County aqueduct. The project is out for design now and is expected to be operational within 12-18 months.

#### **Street Light Retrofit**

In 2009 the City Council authorized changing all of the City's street lights (7,000+) from High Pressure Sodium lights to Induction lights. This shift in technology will result in a projected savings of 3,000 MWh per year in electricity with an annual savings of more than \$400,000. The California Energy Commission has approved a loan to help the City with the project, and it is anticipated that replacement will begin within the next couple of months.

#### 1.4 The San Diego Regional Climate Protection Initiative

The San Diego Regional Climate Protection Initiative is a joint effort between The San Diego Foundation, ICLEI, and 10 local governments in San Diego County. ICLEI is working directly with local governments in the San Diego region to quantify greenhouse gas emissions and drive regional activity to reduce emissions and enhance resiliency to a changing climate. In addition to performing greenhouse gas inventories for each local jurisdiction, ICLEI is providing ongoing training and technical assistance to participating agencies. The Initiative also includes the initiation and facilitation of a formal regional network of local governments and key stakeholders focused on climate protection initiatives, including both mitigation and adaptation activities. The Network mirrors similar networks across the country that ICLEI supports to engage local governments in information and resource exchange, best practices and lessons learned, as well as collaboration opportunities.

# Section Two: Methodology





## Methodology

The inventories in this report follow two standards, one for government operations emissions and one for community emissions. As local governments all over the world continue to join the climate protection movement, the need for common conventions and a standardized approach to quantifying greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions is more pressing than ever.

The government operations component of the greenhouse gas emissions inventory follows the standard methodology outlined in the Local Government Operations Protocol (LGOP), which was adopted in 2008 by CARB and serves as the national standard for quantifying and reporting greenhouse emissions from local government operations. By participating in the San Diego Regional Climate Protection Initiative, the City of Carlsbad has the opportunity to be one of the first in the nation to follow LGOP when inventorying emissions from government operations.

The community emissions inventory follows the standard outlined in the draft International Local Government GHG Emissions Analysis Protocol (IEAP). ICLEI has been developing this guidance since the inception of its Cities for Climate Protection Campaign in 1993, and has recently formalized version 1 of the IEAP as a means to set a common framework for all local government worldwide. The community inventory also draws on the methodology developed in the *San Diego County Greenhouse Gas Inventory* developed by the Energy Policy Initiatives Center (EPIC) at the University of San Diego in September 2008.

This chapter outlines the basic methodology utilized in the development of this inventory to provide clarity on how the inventory results were reported. Specifically, this section reviews:

- What greenhouse gases were measured in this inventory.
- What general methods were used to estimate emissions.
- How emissions estimates can be reported (the scopes framework, roll-up numbers).
- How emissions estimates were reported in this inventory.

A more detailed account of the methodology used in this inventory can be found in Appendices A, B, and E.

#### 2.1 Greenhouse Gases

According to both the LGOP and the IEAP, local governments should assess emissions of all six internationally recognized greenhouse gases regulated under the Kyoto Protocol. These gases are outlined in Table 2.1, which includes the sources of these gases and their global warming potential (GWP).<sup>5</sup> This report focuses on the four GHGs most relevant to local government policymaking: CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, and hydrofluorocarbons. These gases comprise a large majority of greenhouse gas emissions at the community level, and are the only gases emitted in Carlsbad's government operations. The omitted gases, SF<sub>6</sub> and perfluorocarbons, are emitted primarily in private sector manufacturing and electricity transmission, and are the subject of regulation at the state level.

**Table 2.1 Greenhouse Gases** 

Gas	Chemical Formula	Activity	Global Warming Potential (CO <sub>2</sub> e)
Carbon Dioxide	$CO_2$	Combustion	1
		Combustion, Anaerobic Decomposition of Organic Waste (Landfills, Wastewater), Fuel	
Methane	CH₄	Handling	21
Nitrous Oxide	$N_2O$	Combustion, Wastewater Treatment	310
Hydrofluorocarbons	Various	Leaked Refrigerants, Fire Suppressants	12-11,700
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Perfluorocarbons	Various	Manufacturing	6,500–9,200
Sulfur Hexafluoride	SF <sub>6</sub>	Transmission and Distribution of Power	23,900

#### 2.2 Calculating Emissions

The majority of the emissions recorded in this inventory have been calculated using **calculation-based methodologies** to derive emissions using activity data and emission factors. To estimate emissions accordingly, the basic equation below is used:

Activity Data x Emission Factor = Emissions

#### **Activity Data**

Activity data refer to the relevant measurement of energy use or other greenhouse gas-generating processes such as fuel consumption by fuel type, metered annual electricity consumption, and annual vehicle miles traveled. Please see the appendices for detailed listing of the activity data used in composing this inventory.

**<sup>5</sup>** Global warming potential (GWP) is a measure of the amount of warming a greenhouse gas may cause, measured against the amount of warming caused by carbon dioxide.

#### **Emission Factors**

Emission factors are used to convert energy usage or other activity data into associated emissions quantities. They are usually expressed in terms of emissions per unit of activity data (e.g. lbs CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh). Please see Appendix B for a listing of emissions factors used in this report. Table 2.2 demonstrates an example of common emission calculations that use this formula.

**Table 2.2 Basic Emissions Calculations** 

Activity Data	<b>Emissions Factor</b>	Emissions
Electricity Consumption (kilowatt hours)	CO₂ emitted/kWh	CO <sub>2</sub> emitted
Natural Gas Consumption (therms)	CO <sub>2</sub> emitted/therm	CO <sub>2</sub> emitted
Gasoline/Diesel Consumption (gallons)	CO <sub>2</sub> emitted /gallon	CO <sub>2</sub> emitted
Waste Generated by Government Operations	CH₄ emitted/ton of	
(tons)	waste	CH₄ emitted

#### 2.3 Reporting Emissions

LGOP provides two reporting frameworks: reporting by scope and reporting by sector. This section defines the two reporting frameworks and discusses how they are used in this inventory. It also discusses the concept of —rolling up" emissions into a single number. The section provides guidance on communicating the results of the inventory and using the inventory to formulate emissions reductions policies.

#### 2.3.1 The Scopes Framework

For government operations and community inventories, emissions sources can be categorized by —sope" according to the entity's degree of control over the emissions source and the location of the source. Emissions sources are categorized as direct (Scope 1) or indirect (Scope 2 or Scope 3), in accordance with the World Resources Institute and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development's *Greenhouse Gas Protocol Corporate Standard*. The standard is to report emissions by scope as a primary reporting framework.<sup>6</sup>

#### **Community Scope Definitions**

The scopes framework includes three emissions scopes for community emissions:

**Scope 1:** All direct emissions from sources located within the jurisdictional boundaries of the local government, including fuel combusted in the community and direct emissions from landfills in the community.

**Scope 2:** Indirect emissions associated with the consumption of energy that is generated outside the jurisdictional boundaries of the local government.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Another common reporting framework is emissions by sector: See Section 2.3.3-Emisisons Sectors for details

**Scope 3:** All other indirect or embodied emissions not covered in Scope 2, that occur as a result of activity within the jurisdictional boundaries.

Scope 1 and Scope 2 sources are the most essential components of a community greenhouse gas analysis. This is because these sources are typically the most significant in scale, and are most easily impacted by local policy making. The IEAP also includes, in its *Global Reporting Standard*, the reporting of Scope 3 emissions associated with the future decomposition of solid waste generated in the community in the base year.

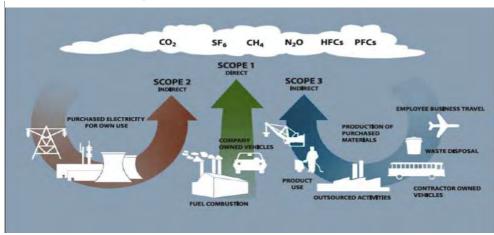


Figure 2.1 Emissions Scopes

Source: WRI/WBCSD GHG Protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard (Revised Edition), Chapter 4.

#### **Government Scope Definitions**

Similar to the community framework, the government scopes are divided into three main categories:

**Scope 1:** Direct emissions from sources within a local government's operations that it owns and/or controls. This includes stationary combustion to produce electricity, steam, heat, and power equipment; mobile combustion of fuels; process emissions from physical or chemical processing; fugitive emissions that result from production, processing, transmission, storage and use of fuels; leaked refrigerants; and other sources.

**Scope 2:** Indirect emissions associated with the consumption of electricity, steam, heating, or cooling that are purchased from an outside utility.

**Scope 3:** All other emissions sources that hold policy relevance to the local government that can be measured and reported. This includes all indirect emissions not covered in Scope 2 that occur as a result of activities within the operations of the local government. Scope 3 emission sources include (but are not limited to) tailpipe emissions from employee commutes, employee business travel, and emissions resulting from the decomposition of government-generated solid waste.

#### 2.3.2 Double Counting and Rolling Up Scopes

Many local governments find it useful for public awareness and policymaking to use a single number (a –roll-up" number) to represent emissions in its reports, target setting, and action plan. A roll-up number allows local governments to determine the relative proportions of emissions from various sectors (e.g., 30 percent of rolled up emissions came from the vehicle fleet), which can help policymakers and staff identify priority actions for reducing emissions from their operations.

For these reasons, this report includes roll-up numbers as the basis of the both the government operations and community emissions analyses in this inventory. This roll-up number is composed of direct emissions (Scope 1), all emissions from purchased electricity (Scope 2), and other indirect emissions (Scope 3).

While this report uses a standard roll-up number, these numbers should be used with caution, as they can be problematic for three reasons:

First, a roll-up number does not represent all emissions from Carlsbad's operations, only a summation of inventoried emissions using available estimation methods. Reporting a roll-up number can be misleading and encourage citizens, staff, and policymakers to think of this number as the local government's —attal" emissions. Therefore, when communicating a roll-up number it is important to represent it only as a sum of inventoried emissions, not as a comprehensive total.

**Second**, rolling up emissions may not simply involve adding emissions from all sectors, as emissions from different scopes can be double-counted when they are reported as one number. For example, if a local government operates a municipal utility that provides electricity to government facilities, these are emissions from both the power generation and facilities sectors. If these sectors are rolled up into a single number, these emissions are double counted, or reported twice. For these reasons, it is important to be cautious when creating a roll-up number to avoid double counting; the roll-up number used in this report was created specifically to avoid any possible double counting.

**Third**, it is very difficult to use a roll-up number as a common measure between local governments, which is how the results are sometimes applied. Currently, there is no national or international standard for reporting emissions as a single roll-up number. In addition, local governments provide different services to their citizens, and the scale of the services (and thus the emissions) is highly dependent upon the size of the jurisdiction. For these reasons, comparisons between local government roll-up numbers should not be made without significant analysis of the basis of the roll-up number and the services provided by the local governments being compared.

Furthermore, the results from the government operations component and community component of the inventory should not be rolled-up into one number, as government operations emissions are already accounted for as one source among many in the community inventory.

#### 2.3.3 Emissions Sectors

In addition to categorizing emissions by scope, ICLEI recommends that local governments examine their emissions in the context of the sector that is responsible for those emissions. Many local governments will find a sector-based analysis more directly relevant to policy making and project management, as it assists in formulating sector-specific reduction measures and climate action plan components. The government operations inventory uses LGOP sectors as a primary reporting framework, including the following sectors:

- Buildings and other facilities
- Streetlights, traffic signals, and other public lighting
- Water delivery and collection facilities
- Recycled water facilities
- Vehicle fleet and mobile equipment
- Government-generated solid waste
- Emissions from employee commutes

The community inventory reports emissions by the following sectors:

- Residential. This sector includes Scope 1 natural gas combustion and Scope 2 electricity consumption.
- Commercial/Industrial. This sector includes Scope 1 fuel combustion and Scope 2 electricity consumption.
- Transportation. The transportation sector includes exclusively Scope 1 transportation fuel combustion.
- Solid Waste. The sector includes Scope 1 emissions from landfills located in the jurisdiction and Scope 3 emissions from future decomposition of solid waste generated in the community in the base year.
- Wastewater. This sector includes Scope 3 emissions from treatment of wastewater generated in the community.

# Section Three: Government Operations Inventory Results





# Government Operations Inventory Results

This chapter provides a detailed description of Carlsbad's greenhouse gas emissions from government operations in 2005, rolling up and comparing emissions across sectors and sources as appropriate. This chapter also provides details on emissions from each sector, including a breakdown of emissions types and, where possible, an analysis of emissions by department. This information identifies more specific sources of emissions (such as a particular building) that can help staff and policymakers in Carlsbad to best target emissions reduction activities in the future.

For a report of emissions by scope, and a detailed description of the methodology and emission factors used in calculating the emissions from Carlsbad's operations, please see Appendix B: LGOP Standard Report.

In 2005, Carlsbad's government operations greenhouse gas emissions totaled 6,556 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e. In this report, this number is the basis for comparing emissions across sectors and sources (fuel types), and is the aggregate of all emissions estimates included in the body of this inventory.

#### 3.1 Summary by Sector

Reporting emissions by sector provides a useful way to understand the sources of Carlsbad's emissions. By better understanding the relative scale of emissions from each of the sectors, Carlsbad can more effectively focus emissions reductions strategies to achieve the greatest emissions reductions.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>7</sup> The sectors with the largest scale of emissions do not necessarily represent the best opportunity for emissions reductions. Cost, administration, and other concerns may affect Carlsbad's ability to reduce emissions from any one sector.

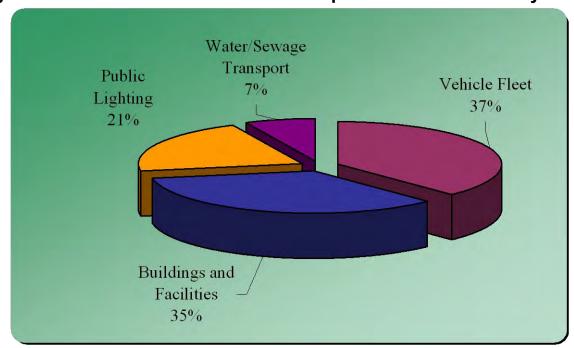


Figure 3.1 2005 Carlsbad Government Operations Emissions by Sector

Table 3.1: 2005 Carlsbad Government Operations
Emissions by Sector

Sector	Greenhouse Gas Emissions
Vehicle Fleet	2,474
<b>Buildings and Facilities</b>	2,266
<b>Public Lighting</b>	1,354
Water/Sewage Transport	461
All units are in metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e	

As visible in Figure 3.1, the City's vehicle fleet was the largest emitter (2,474 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e) in 2005. Emissions from building and facilities produced the second highest quantity of emissions, resulting in 2,266 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e. Carlsbad's public lighting produced 1,354 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e of total emissions with the remainder coming from water and sewage transport.

#### 3.2 Summary by Source

When considering how to reduce emissions, it is helpful to look not only at which sectors are generating emissions, but also at the specific raw resources and materials (gasoline, diesel, electricity, natural gas, solid waste, etc.) whose use and generation directly result in the release of greenhouse gases. This analysis can help target resource

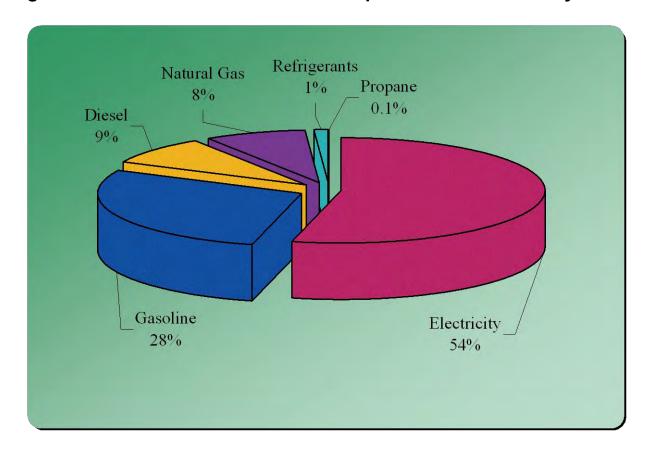
management in a way that will successfully reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Table 3.2 and Figure 3.2 provide a summary of Carlsbad's government operations 2005 greenhouse gas emissions by fuel type or material.

**Table 3.2: 2005 Government Operations Emissions by Source** 

Source	Greenhouse Gas Emissions (metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e)
Electricity	3,534
Gasoline	1,853
Diesel	560
Natural Gas	537
Refrigerants	67
Propane	6

All units are in metric tons CO2e

Figure 3.2 2005 Carlsbad Government Operations Emissions by Source



#### 3.3 Summary of Energy-Related Costs

In addition to tracking energy consumption and generating estimates on emissions per sector, ICLEI has calculated the basic energy costs of various government operations. During 2005, Carlsbad spent approximately \$2,621,937 on energy (e.g., electricity, natural gas, gasoline, and diesel) for its operations. Over 78 percent of these energy expenses (\$2,051,680) are the result of electricity and natural gas purchases from SDG&E. Carlsbad spent approximately \$570,257 on gasoline and diesel for the municipal fleet (22 percent of total costs). Beyond reducing harmful greenhouse gases, any future reductions in energy use will have the potential to reduce these costs, enabling Carlsbad to reallocate limited funds toward other municipal services or create a revolving energy loan fund to support future climate protection activities.

Table 3.3 2005 Carlsbad Energy Costs by Sector

Sector	Cost
<b>Buildings and Facilities</b>	\$1,071,484
Public Lighting	\$696,130
Vehicle Fleet	\$570,257
Water / Sewage Transport	\$284,066
TOTAL	\$2,621,937

#### 3.4 Detailed Sector Analyses

#### 3.4.1 Buildings and Other Facilities

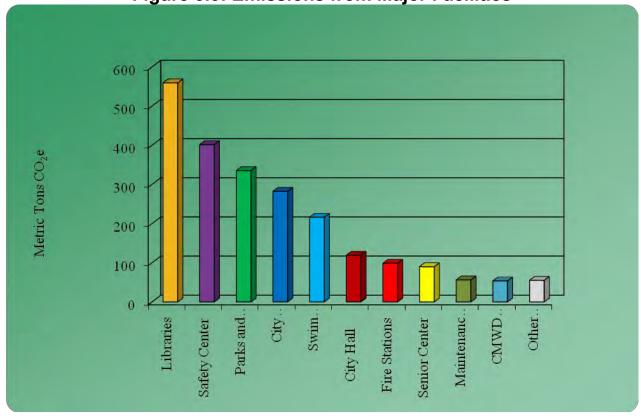
Through their use of energy for heating, cooling, lighting, and other purposes, buildings and other facilities operated by local governments constitute a significant amount of their greenhouse gas emissions. Carlsbad operates 27 facilities and numerous parks, including City administration buildings, two libraries, five fire stations, a swim complex, and three community centers. Facility operations contribute to greenhouse gas emissions in two main ways. The majority of emissions are related to the consumption of electricity and fuels such as natural gas and diesel. In addition, fire suppression, air conditioning, and refrigeration equipment in buildings can emit hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) and other greenhouse gases when these systems leak refrigerants or fire suppressants.

In 2005, the operation of Carlsbad's facilities produced approximately 2,266 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e from the above sources. Table 3.4 shows estimated costs associated with the activities that generated these emissions, and Figure 3.3 depicts 2005 emissions per facility or department. Of total facility emissions, 76 percent came from the consumption of electricity, 24 percent came from the combustion of natural gas, and less than 1 percent came from the combustion of other fuels such as diesel and propane (see Figure 3.4). Carlsbad spent approximately \$1,071,484 in 2005 on the fuels and electricity that were the cause of these emissions.

**Table 3.4: Energy Use and Emissions from Major Facilities** 

Facility	Greenhouse Gas Emissions (metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e)	Percent Emissions of All Facilities	Electricity Use (kWh)	Natural Gas Use (therms)	Total Energy Cost
Libraries	559	25%	1,802,637	20,467	\$227,777
Safety Center	402	18%	1,163,336	20,845	\$138,705
Parks and Recreation	335	15%	1,230,178	4,904	\$271,295
City Administration	282	12%	1,099,520	1,430	\$126,845
Swim Complex	216	10%	202,520	31,116	\$58,415
City Hall	119	5%	294,080	8,552	\$52,086
Fire Stations	98	4%	289,274	4,876	\$52,705
Senior Center	90	4%	224,100	6,319	\$44,890
<b>Maintenance Yards</b>	56	2%	173,501	1,632	\$30,140
CMWD M&O	53	2%	197,920	754	\$29,993
Other Facilities	55	2%	218,810	71	\$38,633
TOTAL	2,266	100%	6,895,876	100,966	\$1,071,484

Figure 3.3: Emissions from Major Facilities



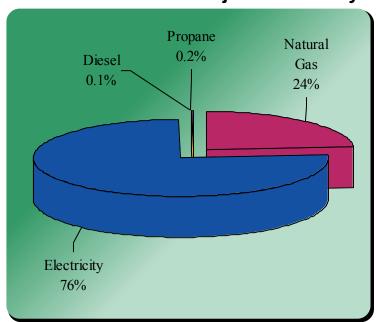


Figure 3.4: Emissions from Major Facilities by Source

## 3.4.2 Streetlights, Traffic Signals, and Other Public Lighting

Like most local governments, Carlsbad operates a range of public lighting, from traffic signals and street lights to outdoor and park lights. Electricity consumed in the operation of this infrastructure is a significant source of greenhouse gas emissions.

In 2005, public lighting in Carlsbad consumed a total of 5,424,206 kWh of electricity, producing approximately 1,354 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e. Table 3.5 depicts 2005 emissions per lighting type and estimated electricity consumption and costs associated with the activities that generated these emissions. Carlsbad spent approximately \$696,130 in 2005 on the fuels and electricity that were the cause of these emissions.

Table 3.5: Energy Use and Emissions from Public Lighting

Source	Greenhouse Gas Emissions (metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e)	Percent Emissions of All Lighting	Electricity Use (kWh)	Cost
Streetlights	1,162	86%	4,652,801	\$572,637
Traffic Signals/Controllers	187	14%	750,417	\$116,364
Outdoor Lighting	5	0.4%	20,988	\$7,129
TOTAL	1,354	100%	5,424,206	\$696,130

## 3.4.3 Water Transport

This section addresses any equipment used for the distribution of water and collection of wastewater. Typical systems included in this section are water pumps/lifts and sprinkler and other irrigation controls. Carlsbad operates a range of water transport equipment, including water distribution pumps, recycled water pumps, and wastewater collection systems. Electricity consumption is the most significant source of greenhouse gas emissions from the operation of Carlsbad's water transport equipment.

In 2005, the operation of Carlsbad's water transport equipment produced approximately 461 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e from the above sources. Table 3.6 depicts 2005 emissions per equipment type and shows estimated activities and costs associated with the operation of this equipment. Carlsbad spent approximately \$284,066 in 2005 on the fuels and electricity that were the cause of these emissions.

Table 3.6: Energy Use and Emissions from Water Transport Equipment

Source	Greenhouse Gas Emissions (metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e)	Percent Emissions of Water Transport Equipment	Electricity Use (kWh)	Cost (\$)
Sewage Pumps	263	57%	1,038,941	\$156,370
Recycle Pump Stations	105	23%	418,980	\$59,035
Water Pumps	90	19%	360,237	\$65,862
Irrigation / Sprinkler Systems	3	1%	13,151	\$2,799
TOTAL	461	100%	1,831,309	\$284,066

## 3.4.4 Vehicle Fleet and Mobile Equipment

The majority of local governments use vehicles and other mobile equipment as an integral part of their daily operations—from maintenance trucks used for parks and recreation to police cruisers and fire trucks. These vehicles and equipment burn gasoline, diesel, and other fuels, which results in greenhouse gas emissions. In addition, vehicles with air conditioning or refrigeration equipment use refrigerants that can leak from the vehicle. Emissions from vehicles and mobile equipment compose a significant portion of emissions within most local governments.

<sup>8</sup> While equipment that transports water and stormwater may be managed separately in Carlsbad's operations, the types of equipment are similar, and therefore the ways to reduce emissions from this equipment, are similar. For this reason, this section groups equipment used for transporting water and wastewater.

Table 3.7: Vehicle Fleet and Mobile Equipment Emissions<sup>9</sup>

Function	Greenhouse Gas Emissions (metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e)	Percent of All Mobile Emissions	Gasoline Consumption (gal)	Diesel Consumption (gal)	Cost
<b>Police Department</b>	967	40%	108,626	124	\$233,062
Fire Department	317	13%	8,769	23,452	\$77,670
Parks and Recreation	308	13%	23,725	9,238	\$70,638
<b>Water Operations</b>	254	11%	23,870	3,974	\$59,316
<b>Street Maintenance</b>	229	9%	11,479	12,359	\$51,931
Engineering	100	4%	11,071	0	\$23,362
<b>Sewer Operations</b>	81	3%	2,899	5,378	\$18,397
<b>Facilities Maintenance</b>	52	2%	5,757	0	\$12,187
Building	47	2%	5,292	0	\$11,245
Stormwater	3	0.1%	284	65	\$761
Other	50	2%	5,515	0	\$11,688
TOTAL	2,408	100%	207,286	54,589	\$570,257

In 2005, the City of Carlsbad operated a vehicle fleet with 279 vehicles and 45 pieces of equipment. Carlsbad's vehicle fleet performed a number of essential services, from maintaining parks, streets, and facilities, to protecting the City through the fire and police fleets. In 2005, the police department made up the majority of vehicles in the fleet (38 percent), followed by the fire department while other departments including parks and recreation, water operations, street maintenance, and engineering made up the rest of the fleet.

In 2005, Carlsbad emitted approximately 2,408 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e as a result of the combustion of fuels to power the City's vehicle fleet. Table 3.7 shows estimated costs associated with the activities that generated these emissions, and Figure 3.5 depicts 2005 emissions per department. Across departments, the vehicles used by the police department were the largest emitters of greenhouse gases, representing 40 percent of total vehicle fleet emissions. The fire department and parks and recreation were the next largest emitters of greenhouse gases responsible for 13 percent of emissions each respectively.

Across all government operations, emissions from mobile sources made up 27 percent of all inventoried emissions. Of total mobile emissions, 75 percent came from the consumption of gasoline, 22 percent came from the combustion of diesel, and the remaining 3 percent came from leaked refrigerants<sup>10</sup>. The City of Carlsbad spent approximately \$570,257 in 2005 on the fuels that were the cause of these emissions.

<sup>9</sup> The numbers reported here include emissions from fuel consumption only-emissions from leaked refrigerants are reported separately.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> The LGOP Alternative Method (Mobile Fugitive Emissions) was used to estimate emissions from leaked refrigerants. This amount is likely to be a significant overestimate due to high default ranges but in line with LGOP methods.

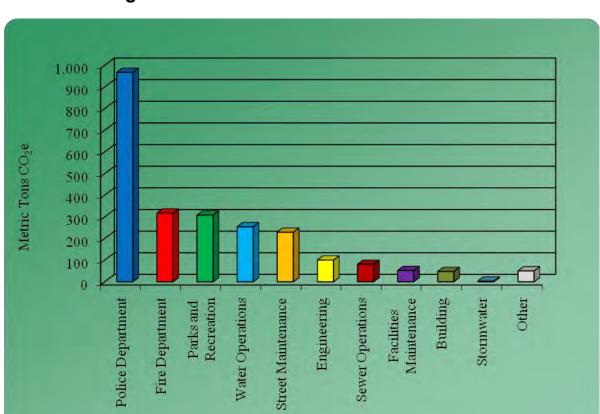


Figure 3.5: Emissions from Mobile Sources

## Section Four: Community Inventory Results





## Community Inventory Results

## 4.1 Community Inventory Summary

In 2005, activities and operations taking place within Carlsbad's jurisdictional boundaries resulted in approximately 925,248 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e. This number includes Scope 1 emissions from the on-site combustion of fuels in the residential and commercial / industrial sectors, <sup>11</sup> and from the combustion of gasoline and diesel in vehicles traveling on local roads and state highways within Carlsbad. This figure also includes all Scope 2 emissions associated with community electricity consumption, and Scope 3 emissions from waste and wastewater generated by the Carlsbad community. <sup>12</sup>

## 4.1.1 Summary by Scope

As shown in Table 4.1, Scope 1 sources produced the largest amount of community greenhouse gas emissions in 2005, totaling 700,375 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e. Scope 2 emissions constituted the second largest amount (193,059 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e), and Scope 3 emissions totaled 31,814 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e.

## **Scope 1 Emissions**

In 2005, Carlsbad's community produced 700,375 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e of Scope 1 greenhouse gas emissions. As seen in Figure 4.1, the largest percent (84 percent) of Scope 1 emissions resulted from combustion of transportation fuels. The second largest source of Scope 1 emissions was stationary natural gas combustion, constituting 16 percent of Scope 1 emissions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Emissions from the combustion of natural gas at the Encina electricity generation facility were excluded from reporting of emissions in this inventory. While the emissions occur inside the boundaries of Carlsbad, the City elected not to report these emissions to allow for a more straightforward comparison of sectors over which the City has jurisdictional influence. The emissions were estimated at 1,251,972 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> For a detailed description of scopes, please see Section 2: Methodology

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> These emissions have not been totaled as this may result in double counting and a percentage is not significantly relevant to forming emissions reduction policy. The summaries by sector and source have percentage breakdowns, as do individual sources of emissions.

Table 4.1: Community Emissions Summary by Scope in Metric Tons

Activity	CO <sub>2</sub> e emitted	Scope Total
Scope 1		700,375
Transportation Fuels	584,369	
Natural Gas*	113,409	
Landfill Waste-in-Place	2,598	
Scope 2		193,059
Purchased Electricity	193,059	
Scope 3		31,814
Community-Generated Solid Waste	27,417	
Wastewater	4,397	

<sup>\*</sup>In addition to approximately 1,251,972 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e emitted at the Encina generation facility

Transportation
Fuels
84%
Place
0.4%

Figure 4.1 Community Scope 1 Emissions

## **Scope 2 Emissions**

In 2005, Carlsbad's community generated 193,059 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e in the form of Scope 2 emissions. All Scope 2 emissions in this inventory result from electricity consumed within Carlsbad but purchased from outside entities.

## **Scope 3 Emissions**

In 2005, Carlsbad's community generated 31,814 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e in the form of Scope 3 emissions. Scope 3 emissions reported include those resulting from the decomposition of solid waste and the treatment of wastewater generated by the community in 2005, as well as from the decomposition of waste-in-place at the inactive Palomar Airport Landfill.

## 4.1.2 Summary by Sector

By better understanding the relative scale of emissions from each primary sector, Carlsbad can more effectively focus emissions reductions strategies to achieve the greatest emission reductions. For this reason, an analysis of emissions by sector is included in this report, based on the total of 925,248 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e. The five sectors included in this inventory are the following:

- 1. Residential
- 2. Commercial / Industrial
- 3. Transportation
- 4. Solid Waste
- 5. Wastewater

As shown in Figure 4.2, the transportation sector was the largest emitter (64 percent) in 2005 (584,369 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e). Emissions from the commercial / industrial sector produced the second highest quantity, resulting in 18 percent of total emissions, or 170,041 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e. The remainder of emissions came from the residential sector (15 percent), the solid waste sector (3 percent), and the wastewater sector (0.5 percent). Please see detailed sector emissions analyses below for more detail.

Table 4.2: Community Emissions Summary by Sector

Sector	Greenhouse Gas Emissions (metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e)
Transportation	584,369
Commercial / Industrial	170,041
Residential	136,427
Solid Waste	30,015
Wastewater	4,397

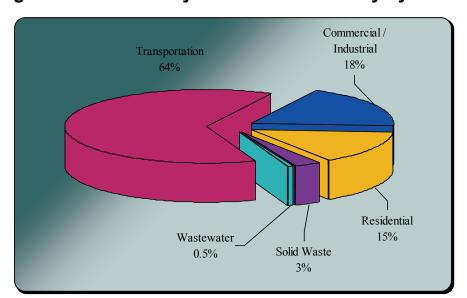


Figure 4.2 Community Emissions Summary by Sector

## 4.1.3 Summary by Source

When considering how to reduce emissions, it is also helpful to look not only at which sectors are generating emissions, but also at the specific raw resources and materials whose use and generation directly result in the release of greenhouse gases. Such analysis can help target resource management in a way that will successfully reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Below (Figure 4.3 and Table 4.3) is a summary of Carlsbad\_s 2005 greenhouse gas emissions by fuel type or material, based upon the total community emissions of 925,248 metric tons.

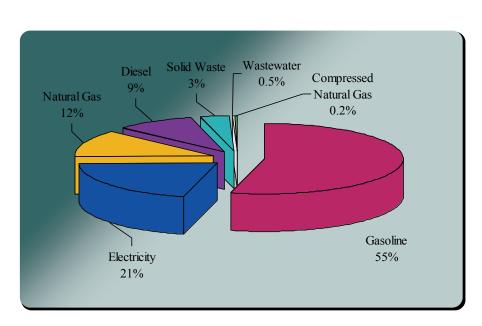


Figure 4.3 Community Emissions Summary by Source

Table 4.3: 2005 Community Emissions by Source

	Greenhouse Gas Emissions
Source	(metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e)
Gasoline	497,869
Electricity	193,059
Natural Gas	113,409
Diesel	84,958
Solid Waste	30,015
Wastewater	4,397
Compressed Natural Gas	1,542
TOTAL	925,248

## 4.1.4 Per Capita Emissions

Per capita emissions can be a useful metric for measuring progress in reducing greenhouse gases and for comparing one community's emissions with neighboring cities and against regional and national averages. That said, due to differences in emission inventory methods, it can be problematic to produce directly comparable per capita emissions numbers, and one must be cognizant of a margin of error when comparing figures between jurisdictions.

As shown in Table 4.4, dividing the total community-wide GHG emissions by population yields a result of 9.7 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e *per capita*. It is important to note that this number is not the same as the carbon footprint of the average individual living in Carlsbad (which would include lifecycle emissions, emissions resulting from air travel, and other indirect emissions).

**Table 4.4: Per Capita Emissions** 

Estimated 2005 Population*	94,961
Community GHG Emissions (MT CO <sub>2</sub> e)	925,248
Per Capita GHG Emissions (MT CO <sub>2</sub> e)	9.7

## 4.2 Community Inventory Detail by Sector

This section explores community activities and emissions by taking a detailed look at each primary sector. As listed above, the sectors included in the community emissions analysis are:

- Residential
- Commercial / Industrial
- Transportation

- Solid Waste
- Wastewater

## 4.2.1 Residential Sector

Energy consumption associated with Carlsbad homes produced 136,427 metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions in 2005 (15 percent of total community emissions). All residential sector emissions are the result of electricity consumption and the on-site combustion of natural gas. Emissions from lawn equipment, wood-fired stoves, transportation and waste generation are not included in these totals.

In 2005, Carlsbad's entire residential sector consumed 249,287 MWh of electricity and around 13.9 million therms of natural gas. As shown in Figure 4.4, 54 percent of total residential emissions were the result of natural gas use, and 46 percent were the result of electricity consumption. Natural gas is typically used in residences as a fuel for home heating, water heating and cooking, and electricity is generally used for lighting, heating, and to power appliances.

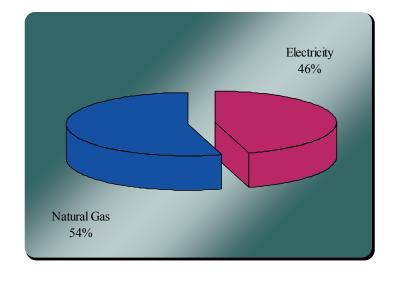


Figure 4.4 Residential Emissions by Source

## 4.2.2 Commercial / Industrial Sector

The commercial / industrial sector includes emissions from the operations of businesses as well as public agencies. For example, the majority of buildings and facilities included in the government operations inventory are also

included as a subset of the commercial / industrial sector. In 2005, buildings and facilities within the commercial / industrial sector produced 170,041 metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions (18 percent of total community emissions). All commercial / industrial sector emissions included in this inventory are the result of electricity consumption and the on-site combustion of natural gas. It is important to note that emissions from off-road equipment, transportation, waste generation, stationary combustion other than natural gas, and other industrial processes are not included in these totals.

Carlsbad businesses generated 2.9 metric tons of GHG emissions per job in 2005. 14 This metric provides an indication of the carbon intensity of economic activity in Carlsbad.

As shown in Figure 4.5, 23 percent of total commercial / industrial emissions were the result of natural gas use, <sup>15</sup> and 77 percent were the result of electricity consumption. Natural gas is typically used in the commercial / industrial sector to heat buildings, fire boilers, and generate electricity; and electricity is generally used for lighting, heating, and to power appliances and equipment.

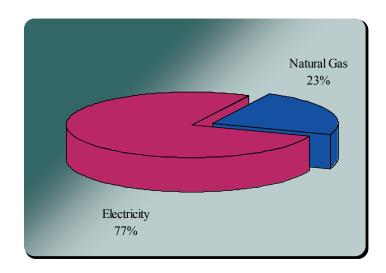


Figure 4.5 Commercial / Industrial Emissions by Source

## 4.2.3 Transportation Sector

As with many other local governments, transportation within Carlsbad's geographical boundary constitutes the greatest percentage (64 percent) of community wide greenhouse gas emissions – 584,369 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e.

As shown in Table 4.5, 95 percent of transportation sector emissions came from on-road travel, with the remaining five percent originating from off-road vehicle use. Of on-road transportation activity, travel on local city roads

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> 2005 jobs data was provided by SANDAG Technical Services Department, Current Estimates, August 2009.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> As previously noted, emissions from the combustion of natural gas at the Encina electricity generation facility were not reported in this inventory.

constituted 52 percent of emissions, and 43 percent came from travel on state highways within the jurisdictional boundaries of Carlsbad. An estimated 84 percent of transportation emissions were due to gasoline consumption with just less than 15 percent coming from diesel use and a small fraction from compressed natural gas in off-road vehicles.<sup>16</sup> Please see Appendix E for more detail on methods used in calculating emissions from the transportation Sector.

Table 4.5: 2005 Transportation Emissions by Type

Source	Greenhouse Gas Emissions (metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e)	Share of Total Transportation Emissions
On-Road Transportation		
Local Roads	302,370	52%
State Highways	253,036	43%
On-Road Subtotal	555,405	95%
Off-Road Transportation	28,963	5%
TOTAL	584,369	100%

## 4.2.4 Solid Waste Sector

As noted above in Figure 4.2, the solid waste sector constituted three percent of total emissions for the Carlsbad community in 2005. Emissions from the solid waste sector are an estimate of methane generation from the decomposition of municipal solid waste (MSW) and alternative daily cover (ADC) sent to landfill in the base year (2005). These emissions are considered Scope 3 because they are not generated in the base year, but will result from the decomposition of 2005 waste over the full 100+ year cycle of its decomposition. As stated in the Government Inventory section, about 75 percent<sup>17</sup> of landfill methane emissions are captured through landfill gas collection systems, but the remaining 25 percent escape into the atmosphere as a significant contributor to global warming. The solid waste sector also includes base year emissions from waste-in-place at the inactive Palomar Airport Landfill. Please see Table 4.6 on the next page for a summary of emissions per waste type. <sup>18</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> These figures do not account for alternative fuels in on-road transportation, which continue to comprise a negligible portion of on-road emissions.

<sup>17</sup> IIS FPΔ ΔP 42

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Waste characterization figures were provided by the 2004 *California Waste Characterization Study*, <a href="http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/Publications/default.asp?publd=1097">http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/Publications/default.asp?publd=1097</a>

**Table 4.6: Waste Emissions Sources** 

Source	Greenhouse Gas Emissions (metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e)	Share of Total Waste Emissions
Paper Products	13,887	51%
Food Waste	5,465	20%
Wood / Textiles	4,080	15%
Plant Debris	3,985	15%
TOTAL	27,417	100%

## 4.2.5 Wastewater Sector

The wastewater sector contributed 4,397 metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions, constituting 0.5 percent of total emissions for the Carlsbad community in 2005. Emissions from the wastewater sector are an estimate of methane and nitrous oxide generated in the process of wastewater treatment. These emissions are considered Scope 3 because occur —dwnstream" from the community where the wastewater was generated. Scope 1 emissions from the Encina Water Pollution Control Facility, like those of the Encina electricity generation facility, are not included in this inventory. In the San Diego region, about 71 percent<sup>19</sup> of wastewater treatment methane emissions are captured through biogas collection systems, but the remainder escape into the atmosphere and contribute the jurisdiction's impact on climate change.

## **4.3 Community Emissions Forecast**

To illustrate the potential emissions growth based on projected trends in energy use, driving habits, job growth, and population growth from the baseline year going forward, this report includes an emissions forecast for the year 2020. Under a business-as-usual scenario, Carlsbad's emissions will grow by approximately 16 percent by the year 2020, from 925,248 to 1,121,673 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e. Figure 4.6 and Table 4.7 show the results of the forecast. A variety of different reports and projections were used to create the emissions forecast, as profiled on the following page.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> San Diego County Greenhouse Gas Inventory, USD Energy Policy Initiatives Center.

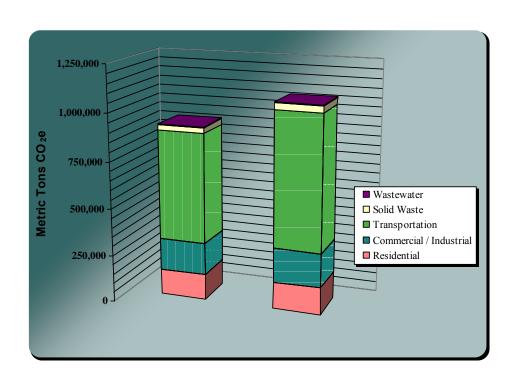


Figure 4.6 Community Emissions Growth Forecast for 2020

## 4.3.1 Residential Forecast

For the residential sector, a households projection for Carlsbad conducted by the San Diego Association of Government (SANDAG) was used to estimate average annual compound growth in residential energy demand (1.4 percent). SANDAG estimates that the number of Carlsbad households was 37,467 in 2005, and will be 46,157 in 2020.<sup>20</sup>

## 4.3.2 Commercial / Industrial Forecast

The California Energy Commission's *California Energy Demand 2008-2018* shows that commercial floor space and the number of jobs have closely tracked the growth in energy use in the commercial sector. Using job growth projections for Carlsbad also provided by SANDAG, it was calculated that the average annual growth in energy use in the commercial / industrial sector between 2005 and 2020 will be 0.97 percent.<sup>21</sup>

<sup>21</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> SANDAG 2030 Regional Growth Forecast Update (2006).

## **4.3.3 Transportation Forecast**

Growth in transportation emissions over the forecast period is closely related to planned transportation infrastructure investments and the associated vehicle activity, as measured in vehicle miles traveled (VMT). Long-term transportation infrastructure is planned through the 2030 San Diego Regional Transportation Plan, published by SANDAG in 2007, and travel activity projections performed by SANDAG are based on this plan. These projections forecast a 22 percent increase in regional VMT between 2005 and 2020; this trend was applied to Carlsbad's 2005 VMT to estimate 2020 travel activity. While this increase is attributed to regional travel as a whole and not specifically local travel in Carlsbad, local VMT is likely to follow a similar trend, and this forecasting approach is more reliable than applying state-wide travel forecasts to the local level.<sup>22</sup>

## **4.3.4 Solid Waste and Wastewater Forecast**

Population is the primary determinate for growth in emission pertaining to solid waste and wastewater generation. Therefore, the average annual population growth rate from 2005 to 2020 (1.52 percent, as calculated from above-referenced SANDAG projections) was used to estimate future emissions from waste disposal and wastewater treatment.

Table 4.7: 2005 Community Emissions Growth Forecast by Sector

Sector	2005 (metric tons CO <sub>2e)</sub>	$\begin{array}{c} 2020\\ (metric\ tons\\ CO_2e) \end{array}$	Annual Growth Rate	Percent Change from 2005 to 2020
Residential	136,427	168,069	1.40%	23%
Commercial / Industrial	170,041	196,669	0.97%	16%
Transportation	584,369	713,778	1.34%	22%
Solid Waste	30,015	37,643	1.52%	25%
Wastewater	4,397	5,514	1.52%	25%
TOTAL	925,248	1,121,673		21%

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> New fuel efficiency standards under the federal Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) program and State of California —Can Car" standards under AB 1493 (Pavley) could significantly reduce the demand for transportation fuel in Carlsbad. An analysis of potential fuel savings from these measures at a scale that would be useful for the purpose of this report has not been conducted, nor would such an analysis produce a true business-as-usual estimation.

## Section Five: Conclusion





## Conclusion

By participating in the San Diego Regional Climate Protection Initiative and other sustainability initiatives, the City of Carlsbad has taken bold steps toward reducing its impacts on the environment. Policymakers and have chosen to take a leadership role in addressing climate change, and this leadership will allow Carlsbad to make tough decisions to create and implement innovative approaches to reduce its emissions. With increasing guidance and support from the state and the federal governments, Carlsbad should be increasingly empowered to make the necessary changes to promote its vision for a more sustainable future.

This conclusion discusses the inventory as a baseline for emissions targets and suggests steps for the City of Carlsbad to move forward to reduce emissions both from its internal operations and from the Carlsbad community.

## 5.1 Toward Setting Emissions Reduction Targets

This inventory provides an emissions baseline that the City can use to inform Milestone Two of ICLEI's Five-Milestone process—setting emissions reduction targets. The greenhouse gas emissions reduction target is a goal to reduce emissions to a certain percentage below base year levels by a chosen planning horizon year. An example target might be a 20 percent reduction in emissions below 2005 levels by 2020. A target provides an objective toward which to strive and against which to measure progress. It allows a local government to quantify its commitment to fighting climate change—demonstrating that the jurisdiction is serious about its commitment and systematic in its approach.

In selecting a target, it is important to strike a balance between scientific necessity, ambition, and what is realistically achievable. Carlsbad will want to give itself enough time to implement chosen emissions reduction measures—but note that the farther out the target year is, the more that Carlsbad should pledge to reduce. ICLEI recommends that regardless of the City's chosen long-term emissions reduction target (e.g., 15-year, 40-year), it should establish interim targets for every two- to three-year period. Near-term targets facilitate additional support and accountability, and help to ensure continued momentum around Carlsbad's local climate protection efforts. To monitor the effectiveness of its programs, Carlsbad should plan to re-inventory its emissions on a regular basis;

many jurisdictions are electing to perform annual inventories. See Appendix F for more information on how to reinventory the City's emissions.

## 5.1.1 The Long-Term Goal

ICLEI recommends that the City of Carlsbad's near-term climate work should be guided by the long-term goal of reducing its emissions by 80 percent to 95 percent from the 2005 baseline level by the year 2050. By referencing a long-term goal that is in accordance with current scientific understanding, Carlsbad can demonstrate that it intends to do its part to reduce emissions over the long haul.

It is important to keep in mind that it will be next to impossible for local governments to reduce emissions by 80 to 95 percent without the assistance of state and federal policy changes that create new incentives and new sources of funding for emissions reduction projects and programs. However, in the next 15 years, there is much that local governments can do to reduce emissions independently.

## 5.1.2 State of California Targets and Guidance

An integral component of the State of California's climate approach has been establishing three core emissions reduction targets at the community level. While these targets are specific to the community-scale, they can be used to inform emissions targets for government operations as well. Figure 4.1 highlights adopted emissions targets for the State. The AB 32 Scoping Plan also provides further guidance on establishing targets for local governments; specifically

## Figure 5.1: California Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets

On June 1, 2005, California Governor Schwarzenegger signed Executive Order S-3-05 establishing climate change emission reductions targets for the State of California. The California targets are an example of near-, mid- and long-term targets:

Reduce emissions to 2000 levels by 2010 Reduce emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 Reduce emissions to 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050

the Plan suggests creating an emissions reduction goal of 15 percent below — crrent" levels by 2020. This target has informed many local government's emission reduction targets for municipal operations—most local governments in California with adopted targets have targets of 15 to 25 percent reductions under 2005 levels by 2020.

## **5.1.3 Department Targets**

If possible, ICLEI recommends that Carlsbad consider department-specific targets for each of the departments that generate emissions within its operations. This allows the City's staff to do a more in-depth analysis of what is achievable in each sector in the near, mid and long-term, and also encourages each department head to consider their department's impact on the climate and institute a climate-conscious culture in its operations.

## 5.2 Creating an Emissions Reduction Strategy

This inventory identifies the major sources of emissions from Carlsbad's operations and, therefore, where policymakers will need to target emissions reductions activities if they are to make significant progress toward adopted targets. For example, since the vehicle fleet was a major source of emissions from Carlsbad's operations, it is possible that the City could meet near-term targets simply by implementing a few major actions within this sector. In addition, medium-term targets could be met by focusing emissions reduction actions on the other major sources of emissions including employee commutes and the operations of buildings, facilities, and parks. The long term (2050) target will not be achievable without major reductions in all of those sectors.

Given the results of the inventory, ICLEI recommends that Carlsbad focus on the following tasks in order to significantly reduce emissions from its government operations:

- Reduce the vehicle fleet size and replace vehicles with alternative fueled vehicles.
- Replace non-road vehicles and equipment with low or zero emission technologies.
- Offer transportation benefits and alternatives to employees.
- Coordinate land use planning and greenhouse gas (GHG) accountability with regional transportation infrastructure investments.
- Continue to promote energy efficiency and renewable energy in public facilities.
- Expand recycling program and ensure recycling containers are provided at each park and facility.

In addition to the types of actions described above, which reduce emissions from government operations, ICLEI recommends developing policies and actions that will help to reduce emissions throughout the community. Examples include:

- Promoting growth through redevelopment and infill that maintains or improves the quality of life for existing neighborhoods.
- Adopting local parking standards that encourage reduced single-occupancy vehicle travel.
- Adopting building codes that exceed Title 24 energy requirements, on either a mandatory or voluntary basis.
- Establish water conservation guidelines and standards for existing development, new development and
   City facilities
- Provide public education programs on waste prevention, source reduction, recycling, yard waste, wood waste, and hazardous waste

By identifying and implementing a set of these types of strategies, Carlsbad should be able to reduce and reverse its impact upon global warming. In the process, it may also be able to improve the quality of its services, reduce costs,

stimulate local economic development, combat climate change.	and inspire	local residents	and businesses	to redouble their	own efforts to

## **Appendices**



# Appendix A: The Local Government Operations Protocol

This inventory follows the standard outlined in the Local Government Operations Protocol, which was adopted in 2008 by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and serves as the national standard for quantifying and reporting greenhouse emissions from local government operations. This and the other inventories conducted for the San Diego Regional Climate Protection Initiative are among the first to follow LGOP, representing a strong step toward standardizing how inventories are conducted and reported.

## **A.1 Local Government Operations Protocol**

## A.1.1 Background

In 2008, ICLEI, CARB, and the California Climate Action Registry (CCAR) released LGOP to serve as a U.S. supplement to the International Emissions Analysis Protocol. The purpose of LGOP is to provide the principles, approach, methodology, and procedures needed to develop a local government operations greenhouse gas emissions inventory. It leads participants through the process of accurately quantifying and reporting emissions, including providing calculation methodologies and reporting guidance. LGOP guidance is divided into three main parts: identifying emissions to be included in the inventory, quantifying emissions using best available estimation methods, and reporting emissions.

The overarching goal of LGOP is to allow local governments to develop emissions inventories using standards that are consistent, comparable, transparent, and recognized nationally, ultimately enabling the measurement of emissions over time. LGOP adopted five overarching accounting and reporting principles toward this end: relevance, completeness, consistency, transparency and accuracy. Methodologies that did not adhere to these principles were either left out of LGOP or included as Scope 3 emissions. LGOP was created solely to standardize how emissions inventories are conducted and reported; as such it represents a currently accepted standard for inventorying emissions but does not contain any legislative or program-specific requirements. Mandates by the State of California or any other legislative body, while possibly using LGOP as a standard, do not currently exist, and California local governments are not currently required to inventory their emissions. Program-specific

requirements, such as ICLEI's Milestones or CCAR's reporting protocol, are addressed in LGOP but should not be confused with LGOP itself.

Also, while LGOP standardizes inventories from government operations, it does not seek to be a wholly accurate inventory of all emissions sources, as certain sources are currently excluded or otherwise impossible to accurately estimate. This and all emissions inventories therefore represent a best estimate of emissions using best available data and calculation methodologies; it does not provide a complete picture of all emissions resulting from Carlsbad's operations, and emissions estimates are subject to change as better data and calculation methodologies become available in the future.

## A.1.2 Organizational Boundaries

Setting an organizational boundary for greenhouse gas emissions accounting and reporting is an important first step in the inventory process. The organizational boundary for the inventory determines which aspects of operations are included in the emissions inventory, and which are not. Under LGOP, two control approaches are used for reporting emissions: operational control or financial control. A local government has operational control over an operation if it has full authority to introduce and implement its operating policies at the operation. A local government has financial control if the operation is fully consolidated in financial accounts. If a local government has joint control over an operation, the contractual agreement will have to be examined to see who has authority over operating policies and implementation, and thus the responsibility to report emissions under operational control.<sup>23</sup> Local governments must choose which approach is the most applicable and apply this approach consistently throughout the inventory.

While both control approaches are acceptable, there may be some instances in which the choice may determine whether a source falls inside or outside of a local government's boundary. LGOP strongly encourages local governments to utilize operational control as the organization boundary for a government operations emissions inventory. Operational control is believed to most accurately represent the emissions sources that local governments can most directly influence, and this boundary is consistent with other environmental and air quality reporting program requirements. For this reason, all inventories in the San Diego Regional Climate Protection Initiative are being conducted according to the operational control framework.

<sup>23</sup> Please see Local Government Operations Protocol for more detail on defining your organizational boundary: http://www.icleiusa.org/programs/climate/ghg-protocol

## A.1.3 Types of Emissions

The greenhouse gases inventoried in this report are described in Section 2.1 As described in LGOP, emissions from each of the greenhouse gases can come in a number of forms:

**Stationary or mobile combustion:** These are emissions resulting from on-site combustion of fuels (natural gas, diesel, gasoline, etc.) to generate heat, electricity, or to power vehicles and mobile equipment.

**Purchased electricity:** These are emissions produced by the generation of power from utilities outside of the jurisdiction.

**Fugitive emissions:** Emissions that result from the unintentional release of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere (e.g., leaked refrigerants, methane from waste decomposition, etc.).

**Process emissions:** Emissions from physical or chemical processing of a material (e.g., wastewater treatment).

## **A1.4 Quantifying Emissions**

Emissions can be quantified two ways:

**Measurement-based methodologies** refer to the direct measurement of greenhouse gas emissions (from a monitoring system) emitted from a flue of a power plant, wastewater treatment plant, landfill, or industrial facility. This methodology is not generally available for most types of emissions and will only apply to a few local governments that have these monitoring systems.

The majority of the emissions recorded in the inventory can be and will be estimated using **calculation-based methodologies** to calculate their emissions using activity data and emission factors. To calculate emissions, the equation below is used:

## **Activity Data x Emission Factor = Emissions**

Activity data refer to the relevant measurement of energy use or other greenhouse gas—generating processes such as fuel consumption by fuel type, metered annual energy consumption, and annual vehicle mileage by vehicle type. Emissions factors are calculated ratios relating emissions to a proxy measure of activity at an emissions source (e.g.,  $CO_2$  generated/kWh consumed). For a list of common emissions calculations see Table 2.2.

The guidelines in LGOP are meant to provide a common method for local governments to quantify and report greenhouse gas emissions by using comparable activity data and emissions factors. However, LGOP recognizes that local governments differ in how they collect data concerning their operations and that many are not able to meet the data needs of a given estimation method. Therefore, LGOP outlines both —acommended" and —aternative" methods

to estimate emissions from a given source. In this system, recommended methods are the preferred method for estimating emissions, as they will result in the most accurate estimate for a given emission source. Alternative methods often require less intensive data collection, but are likely to be less accurate. This approach allows local governments to estimate emissions based on the data currently available to them. It also allows local governments that are unable to meet the recommended methods to begin developing internal systems to collect the data needed to meet these methods.

This inventory has used the recommended activity data and emissions factors wherever possible, using alternative methods where necessary. For details on the methodologies used for each sector, see Appendix B.

## A.1.5 Reporting Emissions

## A.1.5.1 Significance Thresholds

Within any local government's own operations there will be emission sources that fall within Scope 1 and Scope 2 that are minimal in magnitude and difficult to accurately measure. Within the context of local government operations, emissions from leaked refrigerants and backup generators may be common sources of these types of emissions. For these less significant emissions sources, LGOP specifies that up to 5 percent of total emissions can be reported using estimation methods not outlined in LGOP.<sup>24</sup>

In this report, the following emissions fell under the significance threshold and were reported using best available methods:

Scope 1 stationary diesel generator fuel use

## A.1.5.2 Units Used in Reporting Emissions

LGOP requires reporting of individual gas emissions, and this reporting is included in Appendix B. In this narrative report, emissions from all gases released by an emissions source (e.g., stationary combustion of natural gas in facilities) are combined and reported in metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e). This standard is based on the global warming potential (GWP) of each gas, which is a measure of the amount of warming a greenhouse gas may cause, measured against the amount of warming caused by carbon dioxide. For the GWPs of reported greenhouse gases, see Table 2.1.

<sup>24</sup> In the context of registering emissions with an independent registry (such as the California Climate Action Registry), emissions that fall under the significance threshold are called *de minimis*. This term, however, is not used in LGOP and was not used in this inventory.

### A.1.5.3 Information Items

Information items are emissions sources that, for a variety of reasons, are not included as Scope 1, 2, or 3 emissions in the inventory. In order to provide a more complete picture of emissions from Carlsbad's operations, however, these emissions should be quantified and reported.

In this report, the following emissions are included as information items (emission quantities are reported in Appendix B):

• Ozone depleting chemicals used as refrigerants (R-22 in facilities and R-12 in vehicles)

A common emission that is categorized as an information item is carbon dioxide emitted in the combustion of biogenic fuels. Local governments will often burn fuels that are of biogenic origin (wood, landfill gas, organic solid waste, biofuels, etc.) to generate power. Common sources of biogenic emissions are the combustion of landfill gas from landfills or biogas from wastewater treatment plants, as well as the incineration of organic municipal solid waste at incinerators.

Carbon dioxide emissions from the combustion of biogenic fuels are not included in Scope 1 based on established international principles. <sup>25</sup> These principles indicate that biogenic fuels (e.g., wood, biodiesel), if left to decompose in the natural environment, would release CO<sub>2</sub> into the atmosphere, where it would then enter back into the natural carbon cycle. Therefore, when wood or another biogenic fuel is combusted, the resulting CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are akin to natural emissions and should therefore not be considered as human activity-generated emissions. The CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, however, would not have occurred naturally and are therefore included as Scope 1 emissions.

## A.2 Baseline Years

Part of the local government operations emissions inventory process requires selecting a —performance datum" with which to compare current emissions, or a base year. Local governments should examine the range of data they have over time and select a year that has the most accurate and complete data for all key emission sources. It is also preferable to establish a base year several years in the past to be able to account for the emissions benefits of recent actions. A local government's emissions inventory should comprise all greenhouse gas emissions occurring during a selected *calendar* year.

For the San Diego Regional Climate Protection Initiative, 2005 was chosen as the baseline year, since this year is increasingly becoming the standard for such inventories; the 1990 baseline year for California is usually difficult for most local governments to meet and would not produce the most accurate inventory.

<sup>25</sup> Methane and nitrous oxide emissions from biogenic fuels are considered Scope 1 stationary combustion emissions and are included in the stationary combustion sections for the appropriate facilities.

After setting a base year and conducting an emissions inventory for that year, local governments should make it a practice to complete a comprehensive emissions inventory on a regular basis to compare to the baseline year. ICLEI recommends conducting an emissions inventory at least every five years.

## **Appendix B: LGOP Standard Report**

## Local Government Operations Standard Inventory Report



### 1. Local Government Profile

Jurisdiction Name:	City of Carlsbad	
Street Address:	1200 Carlsbad Village Dr.	
City, State, ZIP, Country:	Carlsbad, CA 92008	
	www.carlsbadca.gov	
Size (sq. miles):	42.19	
Population:	95,146	
Annual Budget:	\$190,416,353	
Employees (Full Time Equivalent):	794	
Climate Zone:	3B	
Annual Heating Degree Days:	1063*	
Annual Cooling Degree Days:	866**	
Lead Inventory Contact Name:	Linda Kermott	
Title:	Manager- Public Works Administration and Environmental Programs	
Department:	Public Works	
Email:	linda.kermott@carlsbadca.gov	
Phone Number:	(760) 602-2753	

## Services Provided:

☐ Water treatment	Mass transit (buses)	Hospitals	☐ Natural gas utility
✓ Water distribution	Mass transit (light rail)	Airport	Other (Specify below)
■ Wastewater treatment	Mass transit (ferries)	Seaport/shipping terminal	
✓ Wastewater collection	Schools (primary/secondary)	Marina	
☐ Electric utility	Schools (colleges/universities)	Stadiums/sports venues	
Fire Protection	Solid waste collection	Convention center	
✓ Police	Solid waste disposal	✓ Street lighting and traffic signals	
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### **Local Government Description:**

The City of Carlsbad is a unique coastal community located 35 miles north of the City of San Diego surrounded by mountains, lagoons and the Pacific Ocean. Although the "village" dates back more than 100 years, the City was incorporated July 16, 1952. The

### 2. GHG Inventory Details

Reporting Year:	2005
Protocol Used:	Local Government Operations Protocol, Version 1.0 (September 2008)
Control Approach:	Operational Control

<sup>\*</sup> www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/climate/online/ccd/nrmhdd.txt
\*\* www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/climate/online/ccd/nrmcdd.txt

## GHG Emissions Summary (All Units in Metric Tons Unless Stated Otherwise)

Note: CO 2e totals listed here are summed totals of the estimated emissions of each inventoried gas based upon their global warming potentials

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SCOPE 1		CO <sub>2</sub> e	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O	HFCs	PFCs	SF <sub>6</sub>
	Stationary Combustion	543.984	542.567	0.052	0.001			
	Fugitive Emissions							
	Total Direct Emissions from Buildings & Facilities	543.984	542.567	0.052	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
SCOPE 2		CO <sub>2</sub> e	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O			
SCOPE 2	Purchased Electricity	CO <sub>2</sub> e 1,721.852			N <sub>2</sub> O 0.034	1		
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SCOPE 1		CO₂e	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH₄	N <sub>2</sub> O	HFCs	PFCs	SF <sub>6</sub>
	Stationary Combustion	3.652	3.632	0.001	0.000			
	Total Direct Emissions from Water Delivery Facilities	3.652	3.632	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
SCOPE 2		CO₂e	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH₄	N <sub>2</sub> O			
	Purchased Electricity	457.265	453.927	0.024	0.009			
	Total Indirect Emissions from Water Delivery Facilities	457.265	453.927	0.024	0.009			

VEHICLE FLEET							
SCOPE 1		CO <sub>2</sub> e	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH₄	N <sub>2</sub> O	HFCs	PFCs
	Mobile Combustion	2,407.444	2,378.995	0.070	0.087		
	Fugitive Emissions	67.002					
	Total Direct Emissions from Vehicle Fleet	2,474.446	2,378.995	0.070	0.087	0.000	0.000
INDICATORS	Number of Vehicles	27	78				
	Vehicle Miles Traveled	2,865	5,183				
	Number of Pieces of Equipment	4	5				

WASTE GENERATION		
SCOPE 3	Waste All Facilities	CO <sub>2</sub> e 143.803
INDICATORS	Short tons of solid waste accepted for disposal	567.000

EMPLOYEE COMMUTE			
SCOPE 3 Mobile Combu	stion	CO <sub>2</sub> e 2,417.227	
INDICATORS Vehicle Miles Trav	/eled	4,584,643	

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R12 R22 Total Information Items	CO <sub>2</sub> e  16.228  398.660  414.888

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SCOPE 2	3,533.504	3,507.707	0.186	0.071	0.000	0.000	0.000
SCOPE 3	2,561.030						
INFORMATION ITEMS	414.888						

POSSIBLE SOURCES OF OPTIONAL SCOPE 3 EMISSIONS	POSSIBLE INF
Employee Commute	Biogenic C0 <sub>2</sub> from
Employee Business Travel	Carbon Offsets
Emissions From Contracted Services	Carbon Offsets
Upstream Production of Materials and Fuels	Renewable Ene
Upstream and Downstream Transportation of Materials and Fuels	Renewable Ene

Waste Related Scope 3 Emissions
Purchase of Electricity Sold to an End User
Transmission and Distribution Losses from Consumed Electricity
Other Scope 3

## POSSIBLE INFORMATION ITEMS

Biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> from Combustion Carbon Offsets Purchased Carbon Offsets Sold Renewable Energy Credits (Green Power) Purchased Renewable Energy Credits Sold (GreenPower) Ozone-depleting Refrigerants/Fire Suppressants not in LGOP Other Information Items

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## Local Government Operations Standard Inventory Report

## 3. Activity Data Disclosure



Every emission source must be accompanied by a reference for the activity data. This worksheet is meant to assist in recording activity data and the methods used to gather those data for government operations. Activity data represent the magnitude of human activity resulting in emissions; data on energy use, fuel consumtion, vehicle miles traveled, and waste generation are all examples of activity data that are used to compute GHGs. Detailed disclosure should be made of the activity data used and at what quantities. This disclosure should also cite the source(s) of the data and the methodology used, including whether that methodology is a recommended method or an alternate method.

Deviations from the primary methodology should be explained in detail. All assumptions and estimations should be cited as such. Local governments may also use this space in the reporting format to discuss the rationale for the inclusion or exclusion of optional inventory components. It is good practice to include appropriate citations (such as website URL, report title, etc) and all contact information that is necessary to verify the source and accuracy of the activity data.

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	CO <sub>2</sub> e					K 00005
						Karen Brown, SDG&E,
	CO <sub>2</sub>	Primary	Known fuel use	69,852	therms	(858) 650-4132,
		'				kwbrown@semprautilitie com
						Karen Brown, SDG&E,
						(858) 650-4132,
	CH₄	Primary	Known fuel use	69,852	therms	kwbrown@semprautilitie
atural Gas						com
						Karen Brown, SDG&E,
		l				(858) 650-4132,
	N <sub>2</sub> O	Primary	Known fuel use	69,852	therms	kwbrown@semprautilitie
						com
	HFCs					
	PFCs					
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	CO <sub>2</sub> e					
		I	Known and estimated fuel use from Aug '05-			Bob Richardson,
	CO <sub>2</sub>	Alternate	Apr '06	125	gallons	bob.richardson@carlsba
	-		<u>'</u>			a.gov, (760) 434-2944
	CH <sub>4</sub>	Alternate	Known and estimated fuel use from Aug '05-	405	gallono	Bob Richardson,
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	IN <sub>2</sub> U	Alternate	Apr '08	125	gallons	bob.richardson@carlsba a.gov, (760) 434-2944
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	CO <sub>2</sub>	Primary	Approximate Yearly Fuel Use	960	gallons	bonnie.elliott@carlsbade
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ectricity	CH4	Primary	Known Electricity Use	6,693,356	KVVII	kwbrown@semprautilitie
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Emissions Source N		Methodology Type	Methodology Name and Description	Resource Quantity	Fuel Unit	Data Sources and Reference		
	CO <sub>2</sub> e							
	CO <sub>2</sub>	Primary	Known Electricity Use	5,424,206	kWh	Karen Brown, SDG&E, (858) 650-4132, kwbrown@semprautilities. com		
Electricity	CH₄	Primary	Known Electricity Use	5,424,206	kWh	Karen Brown, SDG&E, (858) 650-4132, kwbrown@semprautilities. com		
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	Emissions Source Name	GHG	Methodology Type	Methodology Name and Description	Resource Quantity	Fuel Unit	Data Sources and References
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		CO <sub>2</sub>	Alternate	Approximate Annual Fuel Use	358		Don Wasco, don.wasco@carlsbadca.g ov, (760) 438-2722 x7138
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Emissions Source Name		Methodology Type	Methodology Name and Description	Resource Quantity	Fuel Unit	Data Sources and Refe
	CO <sub>2</sub> e	Alternate	Approximate Annual Fuel Use	358	gallons	Don Wasco, don.wasco@carlsbadca ov, (760) 438-2722 x71
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	CO <sub>2</sub>	Primary	Known Electricity Use	1,831,309	kWh	Karen Brown, SDG&E, (858) 650-4132, kwbrown@semprautiliti com
Electricity	CH <sub>4</sub>	Primary	Known Electricity Use	1,831,309	kWh	Karen Brown, SDG&E, (858) 650-4132, kwbrown@semprautiliti com
	N <sub>2</sub> O	Primary	Known Electricity Use	1,831,309	kWh	Karen Brown, SDG&E, (858) 650-4132, kwbrown@semprautiliti com
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	CO <sub>2</sub> e					
	CO <sub>2</sub>	Primary	Known Fuel Use	204,551	gallons	Dale Schuck, Public Works Superintendent, (760) 434-2949, dale.schuck@carlsbade
Gasoline	CH₄	Primary	Annual Mileage by vehicle type, model year, and fuel type; fuel use by vehicle type, model year, and fuel type; annual mileage by vehicle type and fuel type; proxy year data	204,551	miles	gov Dale Schuck, Public Works Superintendent, (760) 434-2949, dale.schuck@carlsbadd
	N₂O	Primary	Annual Mileage by vehicle type, model year, and fuel type; fuel use by vehicle type, model year, and fuel type; annual mileage by vehicle type and fuel type; proxy year data	204,551	miles	Dale Schuck, Public Works Superintendent, (760) 434-2949, dale.schuck@carlsbadd
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	CO <sub>2</sub>	Primary	Known Fuel Use	42,580	gallons	Dale Schuck, Public Works Superintendent, (760) 434-2949, dale.schuck@carlsbadd
Diesel	CH <sub>4</sub>	Primary	Annual Mileage by vehicle type, model year, and fuel type; fuel use by vehicle type, model year, and fuel type; annual mileage by vehicle type and fuel type; proxy year data	42,580	miles	Dale Schuck, Public Works Superintendent, (760) 434-2949, dale.schuck@carlsbadd
	N <sub>2</sub> O	Primary	Annual Mileage by vehicle type, model year, and fuel type; fuel use by vehicle type, model year, and fuel type; annual mileage by vehicle type and fuel type; proxy year data	42,580	miles	Dale Schuck, Public Works Superintendent, (760) 434-2949, dale.schuck@carlsbadd
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Generated Waste	CH <sub>4</sub>	Alternate	Estimated waste weight based upon volume and number of containers	573	tons	Lori Somers, Waste Management, Communi and Municipal Relations Representative, (760) 75 4122, Isomers1@wm.co
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ationary Combustion						
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Gasoline	CH <sub>4</sub>	Alternate	Proxy Year Estimated Fuel Use-based upon daily vehicle miles traveled for all repspondents extrapolated to represent all local government employees	251,075	gallons	Online and paper surver of all employees; see Appendix C of Narrative report for examples; Da in posession of Linda Kermott, Environmental Services Director
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	CO <sub>2</sub>	Alternate	Proxy Year Estimated Fuel Use-based upon daily vehicle miles traveled for all repspondents extrapolated to represent all local government employees	13,102	gallons	Online and paper survey of all employees; see Appendix C of Narrative report for examples; Da in posession of Linda Kermott, Environmental Services Director
Diesel	CH <sub>4</sub>	Alternate	Proxy Year Estimated Fuel Use-based upon daily vehicle miles traveled for all repspondents extrapolated to represent all local government employees	13,102	gallons	Online and paper surver of all employees; see Appendix C of Narrative report for examples; Da in posession of Linda Kermott, Environmental Services Director
	N₂O	Alternate	Proxy Year Estimated Fuel Use-based upon daily vehicle miles traveled for all repspondents extrapolated to represent all local government employees	13,102	gallons	Online and paper surve of all employees; see Appendix C of Narrative report for examples; Da in posession of Linda Kermott, Environmental Services Director
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Emissions Source Name	GHG	Methodology Type	Methodology Name and Description	Resource Quantity	Fuel Unit	Data Sources and Refer
Ozone Depleting Refrigerants	R12	Alternate	Based on Fleet Inventory and Capacities Available Online. Defaults used for Unknown Capacities	2	kg	Dale Schuck, Public Works Superintendent, (760) 434-2949, dale.schuck@carlsbadc gov. NAPA AC System Refrigerant and Oil Capacity Guide
	R22	Primary	Actual leakage. Based on invoices from contractor	235	kg	Charlie, Seaside Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc.,

### POSSIBLE SOURCES OF OPTIONAL SCOPE 3 EMISSIONS

Employee Commute
Employee Business Travel
Emissions From Contracted Services
Upstream Production of Materials and Fuels
Upstream and Downstream Transportation of Materials and Fuels
Waste Related Scope 3 Emissions
Purchase of Electricity Sold to an End User
Transmission and Distribution Losses from Consumed Electricity
Other Scope 3

### POSSIBLE INFORMATION ITEMS

Biogenic C0<sub>2</sub> from Combustion Carbon Offsets Purchased Carbon Offsets Sold Renewable Energy Credits (Green Power) Purchased Renewable Energy Credits Sold (GreenPower) Ozone-depleting Refrigerants/Fire Suppressants not in LGOP Other Information Items

## Local Government Operations Standard Inventory Report



## 4. Calculation Methodology Disclosure

In addition to activity data, every emission source must be accompanied by the emission factor used, a reference for each emission factor, and the calculation

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tationary Combustion	1			
Emissions Source Na		Default/Alternate	Emission Factor	Emission Factor Sources and Refer
	CO₂e			
	CO <sub>2</sub>	Default	53.06 Kg /MMBtu	LGOP, Table G.1
	CH₄	Default	5 g /MMBtu	LGOP, Table G.3
Natural Gas	N <sub>2</sub> O	Default	0.01 g /MMBtu	LGOP, Table G.3
	HFCs			
	PFCs			
	SF <sub>6</sub>			
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	CO <sub>2</sub>	Default	73.15 Kg /MMBtu	LGOP, Table G.1
Diesel Generators	CH <sub>4</sub>	Default	11 g /MMBtu	LGOP, Table G.3
Diesei Generators	N <sub>2</sub> O	Default	0.6 g /MMBtu	LGOP, Table G.3
	HFCs			
	PFCs			
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	CO <sub>2</sub>	Default	5.74 kg CO2/gal	LGOP, Table G.1
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Propane	N <sub>2</sub> O			
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urchased Electricity Emissions Source Na	ma GHC	Default/Alternate	Emission Factor	Emission Factor Sources and Refer
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	CO <sub>2</sub>	Default	546.46 lbs /MWh	LGOP, Table G.5
	CH <sub>4</sub>	Default	0.029 lbs/ MWh	LGOP, Table G.5
Electricity				
Licotrioity	N <sub>2</sub> O HFCs	Default	0.011 lbs /MWh	LGOP, Table G.6
	PFCs			
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Purchased Electric	city			
Emissions Source	Name GHG	Default/Alternate	Emission Factor	Emission Factor Sources and Reference
	CO₂e			
	CO <sub>2</sub>	Default	546.46 lbs /MWh	LGOP, Table G.5
	CH₄	Default	0.029 lbs/ MWh	LGOP, Table G.6
Electricity	N <sub>2</sub> O	Default	0.011 lbs /MWh	LGOP, Table G.6
	HFCs			
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tationary Combustion				
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	CO <sub>2</sub> e			
	CO <sub>2</sub>	Default	73.15 Kg /MMBtu	LGOP, Table G.1
	CH <sub>4</sub>	Default	11 g /MMBtu	LGOP, Table G.3
Diesel Generators	N <sub>2</sub> O	Default	0.6 g /MMBtu	LGOP, Table G.3
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	PFCs			
	SF <sub>6</sub>			
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bbile Combustion Emissions Source Na	me GHG	Default/Alternate	Emission Factor	Emission Factor Sources and References
	CO <sub>2</sub> e			
	CO <sub>2</sub>	Default	8.81 kg CO2 / gallon	LGOP, Table G.9
	CH <sub>4</sub>	Default	Varies by Model Year	LGOP, Table G.10
Gasoline	N <sub>2</sub> O	Default	Varies by Model Year	LGOP, Table G.10
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	PFCs			
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POSSIBLE SOURCES OF OPTIONAL SCOPE 3 EMISSIONS	POSSIBLE INFORMATION ITEMS
Employee Commute	Biogenic CO <sub>2</sub> from Combustion
Employee Business Travel	Carbon Offsets Purchased
Emissions From Contracted Services	Carbon Offsets Sold
Upstream Production of Materials and Fuels	Renewable Energy Credits (Green Power) Purchased
Upstream and Downstream Transportation of Materials and Fuels	Renewable Energy Credits Sold (GreenPower)
Waste Related Scope 3 Emissions	Ozone-depleting Refrigerants/Fire Suppressants not in LGOP
Purchase of Electricity Sold to an End User	
Transmission and Distribution Losses from Consumed Electricity	
Other Scope 3	

## **Appendix C**

## Reporting on Scope 3 Emissions from Government Operations

This appendix presents 2005 emissions from Scope 3 government operations sources, reporting on which is considered optional in the LGOP. The two Scope 3 sectors reported here are emissions from government-generated solid waste and from employee commutes.

## **C.1 Government-Generated Solid Waste**

Many local government operations generate solid waste, much of which is eventually sent to a landfill. Typical sources of waste in local government operations include paper and food waste from offices and facilities, construction waste from public works, and plant debris from parks departments. Organic materials in government-generated solid waste (including paper, food scraps, plant debris, textiles, wood waste, etc.) generate methane as they decay in the anaerobic environment of a landfill. An estimated 75 percent of this methane is routinely captured via landfill gas collection systems;<sup>26</sup> however, a portion escapes into the atmosphere, contributing to the greenhouse effect. As such, estimating emissions from waste generated by government operations is an important component of a comprehensive emissions inventory.

Inventorying emissions from government-generated solid waste is considered optional by LGOP for two reasons. First, the emissions do not result at the point of waste generation (as with fuel combustion), but in a landfill located outside of Carlsbad's jurisdictional boundaries. In addition, the emissions are not generated in the same year that the waste is disposed, but over a lengthy decomposition period. Since inventorying these emissions is considered optional, LGOP does not provide guidance on recommended methods for quantifying these types of emissions. ICLEI therefore devised data collection and calculation methods based upon previous experience and national standards. See Appendix D for more information for more detail on quantifying emissions from government-generated solid waste.

<sup>26</sup> This is a default methane collection rate per LGOP. This rate can vary from 0 to 99 percent based upon the presence and extent of a landfill gas collection system at the landfill/s where the waste is disposed. Most commonly, captured methane gas is flared into the atmosphere, which converts the methane gas to CO<sub>2</sub> and effectively negates the human-caused global warming impact of the methane. Increasingly, landfill methane is being used to power gas-fired turbines as a carbon-neutral means of generating electricity.

It is estimated that the waste disposed by Carlsbad's government facilities in 2009 will cumulatively produce 6.8 metric tons of methane gas, or 144 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e. More recent data from 2009 was used as a proxy as 2005 waste disposal data was not available. Please see Table 3.8 for a breakdown of emissions per facility.

Table C.1: Emissions from Government-Generated Solid Waste

Source	Greenhouse Gas Emissions (metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e)	
<b>Parks and Recreation</b>	75	297
<b>Maintenance Yards</b>	13	52
Libraries	13	52
Safety Center	8	31
<b>City Administration</b>	8	31
Fire Stations	7	26
<b>Senior Center</b>	5	21
CMWD M&O	5	21
Other	5	21
City Hall	3	10
Swim Complex	1	5
TOTAL	144	567

## **C.2 Employee Commute**

Fuel combustion from employees commuting to work is another important emissions source from Carlsbad's operations. Similar to the City's vehicle fleet, personal employee vehicles use gasoline and other fuels which, when burned, generate greenhouse gas emissions. Emissions from employee commutes are considered optional to inventory by LGOP because the vehicles are owned and operated privately by the employees. However, LGOP encourages reporting these emissions because local governments can influence how their employees commute to work through incentives and commuting programs. For this reason, employee commute emissions were included in this appendix as an area where Carlsbad could achieve significant reductions in greenhouse gases.

To calculate emissions, Carlsbad administered a survey to all of its employees regarding their commute patterns and preferences. ICLEI then extrapolated the results of the survey to represent emissions from all employees. See Appendix C for a detailed description of the survey and methods used to calculate emissions.

In 2009, employees commuting in vehicles to and from their jobs at Carlsbad emitted an estimated 2,417 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e. Table 3.9 shows estimated emissions and vehicle miles traveled for all the City's employees.

**Table C.2: Emissions from Employee Commutes** 

	Greenhouse Gas	Estimated Vehicle	Average Estimated
	Emissions (metric tons	Miles Traveled to	Vehicle Miles
	CO <sub>2</sub> e)	Work	Traveled to Work
All Employees (Estimated)	2,417	4,584,643	5,781

## **C.2.1** Employee Commute Indicators

In addition to estimating greenhouse gas emissions from employee commutes, ICLEI examined other policy-relevant information that was extracted from the employee commute survey—in this way City staff can develop the most effective policies to reduce emissions from employee commutes. These measures often have co-benefits including increased productivity, reduced commute times and costs, and improvement in the quality of life for employees. No extrapolation was done with the following data; analyses were done using data from survey respondents only.

## **Commute Modes**

In 2009, the majority (94 percent) of respondents commuted to work in single occupancy vehicles. Six percent of all respondents used some form of alternative transportation (bicycle, public transit, carpool, etc) to commute to work with carpooling being the most used form of alternative transportation (4 percent of total respondents), followed by split modes (2 percent of total respondents), likely including a combination of driving alone and carpooling. See Figure 3.6 for an analysis of the most common commute mode for employees who responded to the survey.

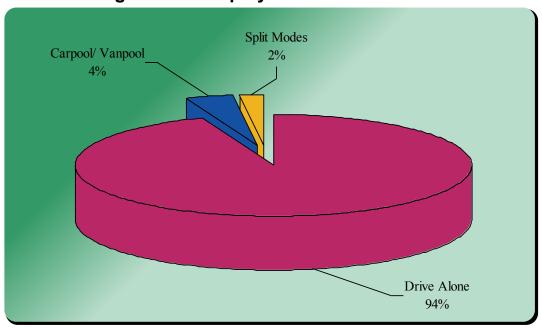


Figure C.1: Employee Commute Modes

## Commute Time and Costs

Table 3.10 shows the median time, cost (weekly), and distance of Carlsbad's employees' commutes. In addition to reducing the City's greenhouse gas emissions, commuting alternatives may reduce commuting costs, time spent in traffic, and overall employee satisfaction.

Table C.3: Distance and Time to Work and Cost of Employee Commutes

Median Time to Work	Median Cost of	Median Distance To Work
(minutes)	Commute	(Miles)
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## Appendix D: Employee Commute Methodology

Emissions from employee commutes make up an important optional source of emissions from any local government's operations. The scale of emissions from employee commutes is often large in comparison with many other facets of local government operations, and local governments can affect how their employees get to and from work through a variety of incentives. For this reason, ICLEI recommends estimating emissions from employee commutes as part of a complete government operations greenhouse gas emissions inventory.

To assist in the data collection process, ICLEI provided the jurisdictions with both an online and a paper copy of an employee commute survey. The questions in the survey were aimed at finding three categories of information:

- Activity data to calculate emissions from employee commute (vehicles miles traveled, vehicle type, vehicle model year) both current and in 2005.
- **Indicator data** to help Carlsbad understand how much time and money employees spend as they commute, as well as how many employees use alternative modes of transportation to get to work.
- Policy data that will serve as guidance for Carlsbad as it adopts policies aimed at reducing emissions
  from employee commutes. These questions asked employees for their interest in alternative modes of
  transportation as well as what policies would be most effective in allowing them to switch modes of
  transportation away from driving alone.

This section provides the emissions estimation methodology and both surveys. Individual survey results are in the possession of Carlsbad staff.

## **D.1 Methodology Summary**

The methodology for estimating the employee commute emissions portion of the inventory is similar to the mobile emissions methodology outlined in the mobile emissions section of Appendix B. Carlsbad administered the employee commute survey to 793 current employees working for the City, and 249 employees responded to the

survey (a response rate of 31 percent). The survey was administered in 2009 and current data was used as a proxy for 2005 data. Both full time and part-time employee data were included.

To calculate emissions, the survey collected the following information:

- The number of days and number of miles employees drive alone to work (one-way) in an average week
- The number of days they carpooled and how often they drove the carpool in an average week
- The vehicle type of their vehicle and the type of fuel consumed

These weekly data were then converted into annual VMT estimates by the following equation:

## Number of days driven to work/week x to-work commute distance x 2 x 48 weeks worked/year

Actual CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions from respondents' vehicles were calculated by converting vehicle miles traveled per week by responding employees into annual fuel consumption by fuel type (gasoline, diesel). The VMT data collected were converted to fuel consumption estimates using fuel economy of each vehicle type.<sup>27</sup>

ICLEI then extrapolated estimated fuel consumption to represent all 793 of Carlsbad's employees in 2005. This was a simple extrapolation, multiplying the estimated fuel consumption number by the appropriate factor to represent all current employees. For example, if 33.3 percent of employees responded, fuel consumption numbers were tripled to estimate fuel consumption for all employees. This is not a statistical analysis and no uncertainty has been calculated as there is uncertainty not only at the extrapolation point but also in the calculation of actual emissions. Therefore, the resulting calculated emissions should be seen as directional and not as statistically valid.

<sup>27</sup> Fuel efficiency estimates from www.fueleconomy.gov, EPA Green Fleets Guide and other national sources.

## **D.2 Employee Commute Survey**

## 1. Introduction

The purpose of this survey is to gather information on your commute to work so your employer can offer the best transportation options to you while reducing the jurisdiction's impact on the environment. The survey should take no more than 15 minutes.

Unless otherwise indicated, all questions refer to a ONE-WAY commute TO WORK only. Please do not include any traveling you do during work hours (meetings, site visits, etc). Any question with an asterisk (\*) next to it requires an answer in order to proceed.

Please note that this survey is completely anonymous. We will not collect or report data on any individuals who respond to the

Thank you very much.

## 2. Workplace

Please provide the following information regarding your workplace. Click "Next" at the bottom when finished or click "Prev" to go back.

\*1. What local government do you currently work for?

Carlsbad

County of San Diego

Encinitas

Imperial Beach

La Mesa

National City

Poway

Solana Beach

San Marcos

Vista

\*2. What department do you work in?

## 3. Commuter Background Information

Please provide the following information regarding your background. Click "Next" at the bottom when finished or click "Prev" to go back.

- \*1. What city/town do you live in?
- \*2. How many miles do you live from your place of work? (please enter a whole number)
- 3. How many minutes does your commute to work typically take? (please enter a whole number)
- 4. In a typical week, how much money do you spend on your ROUND TRIP commute? (transit fees, gas, tolls, etc-please enter a number)
- 5. If you drive to work, what type of vehicle do you usually drive? Full-size auto Mid-size auto

Compact/hvbrid

Light truck/SUV/Pickup

Van

Heavy Truck

Motorcycle/scooter

6. What year is your vehicle?

(please enter a four digit year)

7. What type of fuel does your vehicle use?

Gas

Diesel

Biodiesel (B20)

Biodiesel (B99 or B100)

Electric

Other (please specify-if Ethanol please indicate grade)

## 4. Employment Information

Please provide the following information regarding your employment. Click "Next" at the bottom when finished or click "Prev" to go back.

1. Do you typically travel to work between 6-9 am Monday-Friday?

Yes

No

If No, please specify what time of day you commute:

2. Does your position allow you to have flexible hours or to telecommute?

Yes

No

\*3. Are you a full time employee or part time employee?

Full

Part

## 5. Part Time Employees

Please provide the following information regarding your part time employment. Click "Next" at the bottom when finished or click "Prev" to go back.

\*1. What is the average number of days you work per week? (please enter a number)

## 6. Temporary Employees

Are you a temporary employee?

Yes

No

## 7. Temporary Employees

How many weeks is your temporary assignment? (please enter a number)

## 8. Current Daily Commute

Please provide the following information regarding your current daily commute. Click "Next" at the bottom when finished or click "Prev" to go back.

\*1. In a typical week, do you drive to work alone at least once?

Yes

No

## 9. Drive Alone

Click "Next" at the bottom when finished or click "Prev" to go back.

- \*1. How many DAYS a week do you drive alone to work? (please enter a number)
- \*2. How many MILES PER DAY do you drive TO WORK ONLY? (please enter a number)

## 10. Carpool

Click "Next" at the bottom when finished or click "Prev" to go back.

\*1. In a typical week, do you carpool to work at least once?

Yes

No

## 11. Carpool

- \*1. How many DAYS a week do you carpool? (please enter a number)
- \*2. How many MILES do you drive TO WORK ONLY when you carpool? (please enter a number)
- 3. How many PEOPLE are in your carpool? (please enter a number)
- \*4. How many DAYS a week are you the driver of the carpool? (please enter a number)

## 12. Public Transit

\*1. In a typical week, do you take public transit to work at least once? Yes

No

## 13. Public Transit

- \*1. How many DAYS a week do you take public transit TO WORK? (please enter a number)
- 2. What type of public transit do you take TO WORK?

Bus

Ferry

Light Rail

Train

Other (please specify)

## 14. Bike/Walk

\*1. In a typical week, do you bike or walk to work at least once?

Yes

No

## 15. Bike/Walk

- 1. How many DAYS a week do you bike to work? (please enter a number)
- 2. How many DAYS a week do you walk to work? (please enter a number)

## 16. Telecommute

1. If you telecommute:

How many DAYS do you telecommute in a typical week?

(please enter a number)

If you do not telecommute, leave this question blank.

### 17. Commute Preference Information

Please answer the following questions regarding your CURRENT commute.

- 1. Why have you chosen your current commute mode?
- 2. Would you consider taking any of the following transportation modes? (check all that apply):

**Public Transportation** 

Carpooling

Vanpooling

Bicycling

Walking

Other (please specify)

\*3. Is there a transit route that you would use to commute by public transit?

Yes

No

- 4. If no to question 3, please explain why not.
- 5. If you drive alone, which, if any, of the following benefits would encourage you to take alternative forms of transportation? (check all that apply)

Vanpool/carpool incentives

Pre-tax transit checks

Parking cash-out (reimbursement to give up your parking spot)

Improved transit options

Improved walking routes/conditions

Telecommuting option

Free/inexpensive shuttle

Free public transit benefit

Subsidizing bicycle purchase

Improved bike routes/conditions

Better information about my commute options

None of the above

Other (please specify)

## 28. Comments

1. If you have other concerns or issues related to your commute, or if something we should know about was not captured in any survey questions, please describe below.

## 29. Thank You

Thank you for responding to this survey!

## **Appendix E:**

## Government-Generated Solid Waste Methodology

Emissions from the waste sector are an estimate of methane generation that will result from the anaerobic decomposition of all organic waste sent to landfill in the base year. It is important to note that although these emissions are attributed to the inventory year in which the waste is generated, the emissions themselves will occur over the 100+ year timeframe that the waste will decompose. This frontloading of emissions is the approach taken by EPA's Waste Reduction Model (WARM). Attributing all future emissions to the year in which the waste was generated incorporates all emissions from actions taken during the inventory year into that year's greenhouse gas release. This facilitates comparisons of the impacts of actions taken between inventory years and between jurisdictions. It also simplifies the analysis of the impact of actions taken to reduce waste generation or divert it from landfills.

## **E.1 Estimating Waste Tonnages from Carlsbad's Operations**

Like most local governments, Carlsbad does not directly track the amount of waste generated from its operations. Therefore, to estimate the amount of waste generated, ICLEI worked with Waste Management, the hauler of waste for Carlsbad in 2005. The amount of waste was estimated by compiling pick-up accounts owned by the City. Garbage trucks do not weigh waste at each pick-up, therefore, it is not possible to directly track disposal figures in mass per facility. Mass of waste generation was estimated using volumetric container size (gallons, yards, etc.) data, along with pick-up frequency and average fill of containers. These data produced a comprehensive annual volumetric figure, which was then converted to mass using standard conversion factors supplied by the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB). Estimated waste *generation* was converted to final *disposal* (quantity sent to landfill) by applying average waste diversion percentages for each account. Where applicable, self-haul waste (waste brought directly from the local government to landfills) was included as part of this total.

## **E.2 Emissions Calculation Methods**

As some types of waste (e.g., paper, plant debris, food scraps, etc.) generate methane within the anaerobic environment of a landfill and others do not (e.g., metal, glass, etc.), it is important to characterize the various

components of the waste stream. Waste characterization for government-generated solid waste was estimated using the CIWMB's 2004 statewide waste characterization study.<sup>28</sup>

Most landfills in the San Diego region capture methane emissions either for energy generation or for flaring. EPA estimates that 60 percent to 80 percent<sup>29</sup> of total methane emissions are recovered at the landfills to which Carlsbad sends its waste. Following the recommendation of LGOP, ICLEI adopted a 75 percent methane recovery factor.

Recycling and composting programs are reflected in the emissions calculations as reduced total tonnage of waste going to the landfills. The model, however, does not capture the associated emissions reductions in —uptream" energy use from recycling as part of the inventory. This is in-line with the —ed-user" or —atilpipe" approach taken throughout the development of this inventory. It is important to note that, recycling and composting programs can have a significant impact on greenhouse gas emissions when a full lifecycle approach is taken. Manufacturing products with recycled materials avoids emissions from the energy that would have been used during extraction, transporting and processing of virgin material.

## **E.2.1 Methane Commitment Method**

CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions from waste disposal were calculated using the methane commitment method outlined in the EPA WARM model. This model has the following general formula:

$$CO_2e = W_t * (1-R)A$$

Where:

 $W_t$  is the quantify of waste type +'

R is the methane recovery factor,

A is the CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions of methane per metric ton of waste at the disposal site (the methane factor)

While the WARM model often calculates upstream emissions, as well as carbon sequestration in the landfill, these dimensions of the model were omitted for this particular study for two reasons:

This inventory functions on an end-use analysis, rather than a life-cycle analysis, which would calculate upstream emissions), and this inventory solely identifies emissions sources, and no potential sequestration—inks."

<sup>28</sup> CIWMB Waste Characterization Study-Public Administration Group available at http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/WasteChar/BizGrpCp.asps. 29 AP 42, section 2.4 Municipal Solid Waste, 2.4-6, http://www.epa.gov/ttn/chief/ap42/index.html

<sup>30</sup> Upstream" emissions include emissions that may not occur in your jurisdiction resulting from manufacturing or harvesting virgin materials and transportation of them.

# Appendix F: Community Inventory Methodology

This appendix expands on the description of methodology provided in Section 2, describing in more detail the data sources and processes used to calculate emissions in the community inventory.

## F.1 Overview of Inventory Contents and Approach

The community inventory describes emissions of the major greenhouse gases from the residential, commercial / industrial, transportation, solid waste, and wastewater sectors. As explained in Section 2, emissions are calculated by multiplying activity data—such as kilowatt hours or gallons of gasoline consumed—by emissions factors, which provide the quantity of emissions per unit of activity. Activity data is typically available from electric and gas utilities, planning and transportation agencies and air quality regulatory agencies. Emissions factors are drawn from a variety of sources, including the California Climate Action Registry, the Local Governments Operations Protocol, and air quality models produced by the California Air Resources Board (CARB).

In this inventory, all GHG emissions are converted into carbon dioxide equivalent units, or CO<sub>2</sub>e, per guidance in the Local Government Operations Protocol (LGOP). The LGOP provides standard factors to convert various greenhouse gases into carbon dioxide equivalent units; these factors are known as Global Warming Potential factors, representing the ratio of the heat-trapping ability of each greenhouse gas relative to that of carbon dioxide.

The community inventory methodology is based on guidance from ICLEI's draft International Local Government GHG Emissions Analysis Protocol (IEAP), as well as methods utilized in the *San Diego County Greenhouse Gas Inventory* produced by the University of San Diego's Energy Policy Initiatives Center (EPIC), and in ongoing climate change planning work at SANDAG.

## F.1.1 Emissions Sources Included and Excluded

In general, local jurisdictions should seek to measure all emissions of the six Kyoto Protocol greenhouse gases<sup>31</sup> occurring within the jurisdictional boundaries. In practice, this level of detail may not be feasible for the local jurisdiction. The table below describes sources included in this community inventory, followed by sources that were excluded:

Sector	Emissions Source	Sector	Emissions Source
	Bundled Electricity		On-Road Transportation
D 11 (1-1	Direct Access Electricity		Travel on Local/Regional Roads
Residential	Bundled Natural Gas		Travel on State Highways
	Direct Access Natural Gas		
	Bundled Electricity	Transportation	Off-Road Sources
Commercial	Direct Access Electricity		Lawn and Garden Equipment
/ Industrial	Bundled Natural Gas		Construction Equipment
	Direct Access Natural Gas		Industrial Equipment
Call d Masta	Community-generated Solid Waste		Light Commercial Equipment
Solid Waste	Landfill Waste-in-Place	Wastewater	Community-generated Wastewater

Local governments will often choose to exclude emissions sources that meet the following criteria:

- *Below the significance threshold*. In the ICLEI reporting standard, emissions sources can be excluded from the analysis (e.g. are —deninimis") if, when combined, the excluded emissions total less than 5% of the total of the emissions from the Community or Government Inventory.<sup>32</sup>
- *Insufficient data or accepted standard methodology*. The science is still evolving in many sectors, and accurate records or standards for measuring emissions are not always available. Examples include non-combustion industrial emissions sources or emissions from composting activities.
- *Emissions largely located outside the jurisdiction's boundaries*. These types of emissions could include such sources as aviation departing from local airports or regional transit emissions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, SF<sub>6</sub>, perfluorocarbons (PFCs) and hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Note: an inventory should include at least 95% of the emissions released by the government and community as a whole. Therefore, if a large number of small emissions sources occur within the jurisdiction, they cannot all be ignored.

In this inventory, the following emissions were below the significance threshold and were not included:

- SF<sub>6</sub>, perfluorocarbons (PFCs), and hydrofluorocarbon (HFCs) emissions
- N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from transportation
- Mobile emissions from alternative fuels
- Emissions of minor off-road sources (those not included in the table above)
- Stationary emissions from propane and diesel fuels
- Non-combustion industrial emissions sources

The following sources were excluded because they occurred in a largely regional context:

- Aviation
- Rail
- Regional public transit
- Emissions from the Encina electricity generation facility and Encina wastewater treatment facility

## F.2 Emissions Forecast

This inventory includes a —busness-as-usual" forecast to 2020, estimating emissions that will occur if no new emissions reduction policies are implemented. The forecast is based on household, population, and job projections from SANDAG's 2030 Regional Growth Forecast Update. As a business-as-usual projection, the forecast does not take into account legislation or regulation currently under development, and relies on demographic data as the basis for estimating growth in each sector. The forecasting approach varies for each sector:

- Residential emissions are based on projected growth in local jurisdiction households.
- Commercial / industrial sector emissions are correlated with forecasted job growth in the local jurisdiction.
- Transportation emissions are based on projected growth rates in *regional vehicle miles traveled* associated with SANDAG's Regional Transportation Plan 2030.
- Solid waste and wastewater emissions are correlated with forecasted population growth in the local jurisdiction.

## F.3 The Built Environment: Residential, Commercial, and Industrial Sectors

Electricity and natural gas sold to San Diego Gas & Electric customers as bundled service (both energy generation and transmission/distribution) was provided by Benjamin Lopez at SDG&E. Direct access electricity and natural gas was also provided by SDG&E, which records the direct access resources that are distributed through its grid.

Bundled SDG&E electricity emissions were calculated in ICLEI's CACP software using SDG&E-specific emissions factors provided by the California Climate Action Registry. Direct access electricity consumption was calculated in CACP using EPA eGrid emissions factors for the WECC California eGrid subregion. All natural gas emissions were calculated in CACP with default emissions factors from the Local Government Operations Protocol.

## F.4 On-road Transportation and Off-road Mobile Sources

## F.4.1 On-road Transportation

On-road transportation emissions were derived from local jurisdiction vehicle miles traveled (VMT) data and regional vehicle and travel characteristics. Observed 2005 VMT on non-State facilities (referred to in the inventory as —local roads") was obtained from Caltrans' Highway Performance Monitoring System reports. VMT on state highways in the local jurisdiction was derived from a GIS shapefile output from the SANDAG transportation model, which is the basis of air quality reporting associated with the Regional Transportation Plan. For state highway segments that crossed jurisdictional boundaries, the segments were clipped in GIS and only the portion within the boundaries was accounted for.

The EMFAC2007 model developed by CARB was used to calculate emissions from these VMT figures. EMFAC defaults for San Diego County include regionally-specific information on the mix of vehicle classes and model years, as well as ambient conditions and travel speeds, that determine fuel efficiency. The model estimates carbon dioxide and methane emissions from these factors and inputted vehicle activity data.

Because inputting local VMT without changing regional defaults for vehicle population and vehicle trips would result in an over-estimation of emissions, regionally-specific ratios of VMT to vehicle population and trips were held constant.

EMFAC outputs are reported in short tons per day. Results were converted to metric tons per year. Because state highway VMT and associated emissions were based on average *weekday* traffic volumes, a 5-day to 7-day conversion factor was obtained from Caltrans and applied to the output to allow for annualizing.<sup>33</sup> Methane emissions were converted to carbon dioxide equivalent units based on the Global Warming Potential factor from LGOP.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Provided by Kim Sturmer, Caltrans. The 2008 5-day to 7-day factor (only available) for state highways is 0.94.

## F.4.2 Off-road Mobile Sources

Off-road emissions were obtained from the CARB OFFROAD2007 model. The model was run using default equipment population, usage, and efficiency data for San Diego County. Emissions outputs were scaled to the local jurisdiction level by population share. Results were converted from short tons per day to metric tons per year. Methane and nitrous oxide emissions were converted to carbon dioxide equivalent units based on the Global Warming Potential factors from LGOP.

## F.5 Solid Waste

Emissions from solid waste were captured in two ways: emissions from landfills located in the jurisdiction in the base year (—alndfill waste-in-place"), and future emissions from decomposition of waste generated in the local jurisdiction in the base year (—ammunity-generated solid waste").

## F.5.1 Landfill Waste-in-Place

Methane emissions were obtained from CARB, which utilized a First Order Decay Model (FOD) to estimate emissions from County waste disposal facilities.<sup>34</sup> The FOD incorporates data on waste disposal and facility conditions extending back several decades to calculate methane and carbon dioxide equivalent emissions.

## F.5.2 Community-Generated Solid Waste

Community-generated solid waste emissions were calculated in CACP using waste disposal data obtained from the California Integrated Waste Management Board Disposal Reporting System, which records tonnages of municipal solid waste and alternative daily cover by local jurisdiction. Emissions were calculated using the same methodology as described in Appendix D for government-generated solid waste.

## F.6 Wastewater

This inventory utilizes wastewater emissions estimates from the EPIC San Diego County inventory. EPIC obtained a per capita wastewater emissions estimate from CARB for 2005. This figure was reduced to account for biogas capture at regional wastewater facilities using gas capture data provided by the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District. For the purposes of this inventory, this per capita County-wide emissions rate was scaled to the local jurisdiction level by population share.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Provided by Larry Hunsaker, CARB, on November 27, 2007. This data is embedded in the community master data file provided to the local jurisdiction with this report.

## Appendix G: Conducting a Monitoring Inventory

The purpose of this appendix is to assist the City of Carlsbad's staff in conducting a monitoring inventory to measure progress against the baseline established in this inventory report. Conducting such an inventory represents milestone five of the Five- Milestone Process, and allows a local government to assess how well it is progressing toward achieving its emissions reduction targets.

This inventory was conducted by ICLEI in conjunction with Linda Kermott, Manager of Public Works Administration and Environmental Programs in Carlsbad, who served as the lead data gathering coordinator for the inventory. To facilitate a monitoring inventory, ICLEI has documented all of the raw data, data sources, and calculation methods used in this inventory. Future inventories should seek to replicate or improve upon the data and methods used in this inventory. Wherever possible, however, ICLEI strongly recommends institutionalizing internal data collection in order to be able to meet the recommended methods outlined in LGOP.

## **G.1 ICLEI Tools for Local Governments**

ICLEI has created a number of tools for Carlsbad to use to assist them in future monitoring inventories. These tools are designed to work in conjunction with LGOP, which is, and will remain, the primary reference document for conducting an emissions inventory. These tools include:

- A master data sheet" that contains most or all of the raw data (including emails), data sources, emissions calculations, data templates, notes on inclusions and exclusions, and reporting tools (charts and graphs and the excel version of LGOP reporting tool).
- A copy of all electronic raw data, such as finance records or Excel spreadsheets.
- LGOP reporting tool (included in the master data sheet and in Appendix B) that has all activity data, emissions factors, and methods used to calculate emissions for this inventory.
- Sector-specific instructions that discuss the types of emissions, emissions calculations methods, and data required to calculate emissions from each sector, as well as instructions for using the data collection tools and calculators in the master data sheet.

The appendices in this report include detailed methodologies for calculating emissions from Scope 3
employee commute and government-generated solid waste, as well as two versions of the employee
commute survey.

It is also important to note that all ICLEI members receive on-demand technical assistance from their ICLEI liaison, which local staff should feel free to contact at any point during this process.

## G.2 Relationship to Other San Diego Regional Climate Protection Initiative Inventories

While the emissions inventories for the 10 participating local governments were conducted simultaneously using the same tools, a local government operations inventory is based on data specific to each local government's operations. For this reason, data must be collected internally within each local government, and the availability of data (and thus emissions estimation methods) will vary between local governments.

That said, local governments in the San Diego Regional Climate Protection Initiative may benefit by cooperating during the re-inventorying process. For example, by coordinating inventories, they may be able to hire a team of interns to collectively perform the inventories – saving money in the process. In addition, local staff may be able to learn from each other during the process or conduct group training sessions if necessary. As a whole, the Climate Protection Initiative provides the basis for a continuing regional platform for climate actions, and ICLEI recommends taking advantage of this opportunity during all climate actions, including conducting future greenhouse gas emissions inventories.

## **G.3 Improving Emissions Estimates**

One of the benefits of a local government operations inventory is that local government staff can identify areas in their current data collection systems where data collection can be improved. For example, a local government may not directly track fuel consumption by each vehicle and instead will rely upon estimates based upon VMT or purchased fuel to calculate emissions. This affects both the accuracy of the emissions estimate and may have other implications for government operations as a whole.

During the inventory process, ICLEI and local government staff identified the following gaps in data that, if resolved, would allow Carlsbad to meet the recommended methods outlined in LGOP in future inventories.

- Direct tracking of fire suppressants recharged into fire suppression equipment
- Odometer readings of individual vehicles
- Fuel consumption by mobile equipment
- Fuel consumption by diesel and other generators (propane)
- Direct tracking of refrigerants recharged into vehicles in the vehicle fleet

• Waste generated from government facilities

ICLEI encourages staff to review the areas of missing data and establish data collection systems for this data as part of normal operations. In this way, when staff are ready to re-inventory for a future year, they will have the proper data to make a more accurate emissions estimate.

## **G.4 Conducting the Inventory**

ICLEI recommends the following approach for San Diego Regional Climate Protection Initiative local governments that wish to conduct a monitoring inventory:

## **Step 1: Identify a Climate Steward**

This steward will be responsible for the jurisdiction's climate actions as a whole and could serve as an ICLEI liaison in all future climate work. In the context of a monitoring inventory, the steward will be responsible for initiating discussions on a new inventory.

## **Step 2: Determine which Sectors to Inventory**

There are many ways to determine which sectors apply to a local government's operations, but the easiest to review will be LGOP Standard Report, which is located both in Appendix B and in the master data sheet. This document clearly delineates which sectors will need to be inventoried within a local government's operations and which LGOP sectors do not apply to a jurisdiction.

## Step 3: Gather Support: Identify Data Gathering Team and Leads

Coordination and acceptance among all participating departments is an important factor in coordinating a successful inventory. To that end, the inventory coordinator should work with the city/town/county administrator to identify all staff who will need to be part of the inventory. To facilitate this process, ICLEI has documented all people associated with the inventory in the master data sheet—these names are located in the final completed data form for each sector. Once this team has been identified, the inventory coordinator should hold a kickoff meeting with the administrator, all necessary staff, and relevant department heads which clearly communicates the priority of the inventory in relationship to competing demands. At this meeting, the roles of each person, including the inventory coordinator, should be established.

## Step 4: Review Types of Emissions and Available Methodologies for Applicable Sectors

Local staff should then review LGOP and the instructions documents provided through this inventory to better understand the types of emissions for each sector (for example, within Mobile Emissions,  $CO_2$  emissions and  $CH_4/N_2O$  emissions represent two different data requirements and emissions calculations methodologies). Each emissions type may have more than one possible estimation methodology, and it is important that the inventory

coordinator understands all possible methodologies and be able to communicate this to all parties assisting in the data gathering.

## Step 5: Review Methodologies Used for the 2005 Inventory to Determine Data to Collect

In order to duplicate or improve upon the methods used in this inventory, local staff should again review the methods used for this inventory—these methods are again located in Appendix B—and within the master data sheet. These methods reflect the data limitations for each local government (as many local governments could not obtain data necessary to meet the recommended methods in LGOP). Wherever possible, these methods should be duplicated or, if it is possible, replaced with the recommended methods outlined in LGOP. Using these methodologies, staff will determine what data needs to be collected and communicate this effectively to the data gathering team.

## **Step 6: Begin Data Collection**

With the exception of electricity and natural gas for stationary sources, all data collection will be internal. To obtain stationary source energy consumption data, staff will need to contact the ICLEI representative to determine who the contact is for PG&E data (other utilities will need to be contacted directly).

## Step 7: Use the Data Forms as a Resource During Data Gathering

A number of questions will come up during the data gathering process that may be difficult to answer. ICLEI has attempted to capture all of the questions that arose during the 2005 inventory and how they were addressed through the master data sheet. Within the master data sheet, staff should review the raw data, working data, and completed data forms to review how raw data was converted to final data, and also to review any notes taken by ICLEI staff during the 2005 inventory process.

For example, reviewing the stationary sources PG&E data within the master data sheet will allow local staff to review how individual accounts were separated into each category and which counts may have been excluded from the inventory.

## Step 8: Use Emissions Software to Calculate Emissions

ICLEI has provided the staff lead on the 2005 inventory with a backup of the software used to calculate many of the emissions included in this report. Staff should use this (or more current ICLEI software) to calculate emissions by inputting the activity data into the software. ICLEI staff and ICLEI trainings are available to assist local government staff in calculating emissions.

## **Step 9: Report Emissions**

The master data sheet also contains the LGOP Standard Reporting Template, which is the template adopted by CARB as the official reporting template for government operations emissions inventory. This tool, as well as the charts and graphs tool provided by ICLEI can be used to report emissions from government operations. Also, local government staff should utilize this narrative report as guide for a narrative report if they so choose.

## Step 10: Standardize and Compare to Base Year

Conducting a monitoring inventory is meant to serve as a measuring point against the baseline year represented in this report. In order to make a more accurate comparison, it is necessary to standardize emissions from stationary sources based upon heating and cooling degree days (staff can use a ratio of heating /cooling degree days to standardize across years).

In addition, it is important, when comparing emissions across years, to clearly understand where emissions levels may have changed due to a change in methodology or due to excluding an emissions source. For example, if the default method was used to estimate refrigerant leakage in 2005 (this method highly overestimates these emissions), and the recommended method was available in a monitoring year, this would appear as a dramatic reduction in these emissions even though actual leaked refrigerants may be similar to the base year. Changes such as these should not be seen as progress toward or away from an emissions reduction target, but emissions estimates should be adjusted to create as much of an apples-to-apples comparison as possible. If such an adjustment is not possible, staff should clearly note the change in methodology between years when comparing emissions.

## **Appendix B-2**

2011 Carlsbad Community and Local Government Operations Greenhouse Gas Inventory Updates



## M E M O R A N D U M

To: David de Cordova

From: Chris Ford, Josh Pollak

Re: Carlsbad Community Greenhouse Gas Inventory Update – 2011

Date: August 26, 2013

This memo highlights the approach taken to update the City's 2005 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Inventory with 2011 data and compares the inputs and outputs. A separate memo will cover local government operations. The content of these memos will then contribute to the summary of Carlsbad's GHG emissions in the forthcoming Climate Action Plan (CAP); the memos may be placed in an appendix to the CAP.

This memo reviews the assumptions employed, the quantitative inputs and methodology of estimating the emissions by sector, and the outputs.

Technical terms and acronyms that appear in this memo are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Technical Terms and Acronyms

CACP	Clean Air and Climate Protection software, a model developed by ICLEI to inventory and forecast GHG emissions
CAP	Climate Action Plan
CARB	California Air Resources Board, the agency responsible for setting statewide GHG emission reduction targets. CARB also maintains several GHG emission calculation models.
CO₂e	Carbon dioxide equivalents, a measure of GHGs that converts non-CO <sub>2</sub> emissions to the same impact as carbon dioxide
EMFAC	The EMissions FACtors model developed by CARB to measure various emissions from vehicles. There are multiple versions of EMFAC which focus on different vehicle types.
EPA	US Environmental Protection Agency
GHG	Greenhouse gases, mainly carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide (N <sub>2</sub> O), and methane (CH <sub>4</sub> )
ICLEI	An organization that provides standards and models for measuring and forecasting GHG emissions
SDG&E	San Diego Gas and Electric, the energy utility for Carlsbad
Service Population	Residents + employees, a rough measure of how many people may be generating emissions within a defined area.
VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled, a measure of the annual amount of driving within an area, used to calculate GHG emissions from vehicles



### **ASSUMPTIONS**

As with the 2005 inventory, ICLEI's CACP<sup>1</sup> model was used to estimate emissions from residential, commercial, and industrial consumption of energy and solid waste disposal; CARB's EMFAC models were used to calculate transportation emissions; and other sources were used for wastewater and Palomar landfill emissions.

Between 2005 and 2011, the population and jobs of Carlsbad increased by an estimated 12 percent as did the service population of Carlsbad—the number of residents plus number of jobs, reflecting the number of people who may generate GHG emissions. Since 2005, Carlsbad's share of the county population has increased from 3.13 percent to 3.41 percent, due to a faster rate of growth than the overall county. Table 2 summarizes these changes.

Table 2: Population and Jobs, 2005 and 2011

	2005	2011	% Change
San Diego County Population I	3,034,388	3,115,810	2.7%
Carlsbad Population <sup>1, 2</sup>	94,961	106,403	12.0%
Carlsbad - % of County Population	3.13%	3.41%	8.9%
Carlsbad - # of Jobs <sup>3</sup>	59,309	66,417	12.0%
Carlsbad – Service Population	154,270	172,820	12.0%

<sup>1.</sup> The 2011 populations for the county and Carlsbad come from the California Department of Finance, Table E-5.

## **Electricity Coefficients**

Electricity coefficients measure how much GHG emission and air pollution is created by various sources of electricity generation. They are measured as pounds of emission per megawatt hour (lb/MWh). The CACP model includes "back end" settings and assumptions that can be adjusted from defaults:

- Bundled customers purchase electricity from SDG&E. The CACP model has built-in values for SDG&E, although the most recent data is from 2007. Dudek provided 2010 numbers from SDG&E from the Climate Registry, which are the most recent available; these 2010 numbers were substituted in for the 2007 data.
- CACP also allows the manual entry of coefficients. This is used for direct electricity consumers, who purchase power from elsewhere, with SDG&E handling delivery to the customer. The power is purchased from across the region. We used the regional energy coefficients from the EPA's 2009 eGRID tables, which are the most recent available.

Table 3 compares the coefficients used for the 2005 and 2011 inventories. The table shows that since 2005, the pounds of GHG emissions (carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide, and methane) produced

<sup>2.</sup> The 2005 Inventory used different populations for the community and local government analyses. This is the population used for the community inventory.

<sup>3.</sup> Numbers from SANDAG.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The 2011 update utilized the CACP 2009 Version 3.0 software.

per megawatt hour of electricity fell for both SDG&E and regional power generation—except for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from SDG&E power, which rose significantly (35%). The reason for this difference is unknown; SDG&E would not respond to our questions. The coefficients for SDG&E in 2005 were notably lower than in all other recent years, however, with a major decline from 2004 to 2005, followed by large increases between 2005 and 2007, and thereafter. This pattern suggests that SDG&E's low energy coefficients for 2005 were abnormal, with the 2010 coefficients (used for the 2011 Inventory) more in line with recent trends.

A second issue shown by Table 3 is that in 2005, SDG&E power was significantly cleaner than power purchased from elsewhere (about 24% less CO<sub>2</sub>), but by 2009-2010 SDG&E power produced more GHG emissions than other regional power (12% more CO<sub>2</sub>).

Table 3: Electricity Coefficients (lb/MWh)

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Year	CO <sub>2</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O	CH₄				
Bundled Service (SDG&E)							
20051	546.50	0.011	0.030				
20102*	739.05	0.0081	0.0302				
% Increase	+35%	-26%	+1%				
Direct Access Ele	Direct Access Electricity (eGRID)						
2005	724.12	0.00808	0.03024				
2009 <sup>3</sup> *	658.68	0.00617	0.02894				
% Change	-9%	-24%	-4%				
*Data used for Carlsbad 2011 inventory update.							

I. Data from CACP model.

## **Natural Gas Coefficients**

The default values in the CACP model were used; they are the same as those used in 2005.

## **Transportation**

We used the default assumptions for San Diego County within CARB's GHG emissions models, EMFAC2007 and OFFROAD2007 (from 2007) and EMFAC2011 (from 2011).

## Solid Waste

The default values in the CACP model were used; they are the same as those used in 2005.

## **INPUTS AND METHODOLOGY**

This section describes the data used to calculate 2011 emissions and the manner in which the data was acquired, transformed, and used. The 2005 emissions measurement process was organized

<sup>2.</sup> Data from www.climateregistry.org

<sup>3. 2009</sup> eGRID coefficients for  $N_2O$  and  $CH_4$  converted from lb/GWh by dividing by 1,000. All 2009 coefficients are the "subregion annual total output emission rate."



around source sector; this structure was maintained for the 2011 effort. The table at the end of this section compares the 2005 and 2011 inputs.

## Residential / Commercial / Industrial (RCI)

The inputs for these three sectors are the same: inputs are electricity and natural gas consumed, broken into bundled and direct access, and entered into CACP. All of the data is from SDG&E.

- Bundled electricity is produced for SDG&E and transmitted by SDG&E. The electricity coefficients for SDG&E, based on the utility's mix of power sources and technology, determine the CO<sub>2</sub>e produced.
- Direct access electricity is produced elsewhere in the region but ultimately transmitted to the consumer by SDG&E. Given the wide mix of possible producers, regional electricity coefficients are applied to determine CO<sub>2</sub>e.
- Natural gas produces the same CO<sub>2</sub>e regardless of source.

Table 4 shows the 2011 RCI inputs compared to the 2005 inputs. There were some changes between bundled and direct access service—see the data file for those details. Most energy consumption increased between 1.4 and 2.5 percent per year. The exceptionally high industrial natural gas consumption in 2005 appears to include use by the Encina Power Station, which was removed from the final numbers of that inventory; the 2011 Inventory data does not include the station.

**Table 4: RCI Inputs** 

		2005	2011	Change	Avg Annual
Residential	Electric (kWh)	249,286,797	275,033,189	10%	1.7%
	Natural Gas (therms)	13,861,471	15,769,481	14%	2.2%
Commercial	Electric (kWh)	379,244,330	411,249,580	8%	1.4%
	Natural Gas (therms)	6,779,454	7,844,336	16%	2.5%
Industrial	Electric (kWh)	114,639,521	116,341,521	1%	0.2%
	Natural Gas (therms)	234,647,345*	1,536,470	-	-

<sup>\*</sup>Includes use by Encina Power Station

Table 5 summarizes the communitywide consumption of electricity and natural gas. Electricity consumption grew at the rate of job creation and below the rate of population growth, but natural gas consumption grew faster than the city.

Table 5: Communitywide Summary of Electricity and Gas Consumption

	2005	2011	Change	Avg Annual
Electric (kWh)	743,170,648	802,624,290	8%	1.3%
Natural Gas (therms)*	20,640,925	23,613,817	14%	2.3%

<sup>\*</sup>Excludes industrial

## Transportation - Vehicles

The 2005 inventory used the EMFAC2007 model created by CARB due to its "regionally-specific information on the mix of vehicle classes and model years, as well as ambient conditions and travel speeds, that determine fuel efficiency." As inputs, emissions from local roadway VMT and freeway VMT were determined separately.

- Local roadway VMT was taken from the Caltrans HPMS (Highway Performance Monitoring System), which provides a citywide daily VMT for all local roadways except federal and state highways (i.e., I-5).
- Daily VMT for I-5 was acquired from SANDAG regional GIS files and clipped to the city limits.
- EMFAC2007 apparently produced CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> outputs in short tons (2,000 pounds) for each VMT, broken down by gasoline and diesel.
- CH<sub>4</sub> was converted into CO<sub>2</sub>e by multiplying it by 21.
- Daily CO<sub>2</sub>e was multiplied by 365 days and converted to metric tons, which are 1,000 kilograms, but multiplying "short tons" by 0.9072.
- The State highway CO<sub>2</sub>e was also multiplied by 0.94 to convert weekday only data into average 7-day data.

For the 2011 inventory update, SANDAG provided 2008 and 2011 VMT data for two scenarios: the first which captures all VMT within the City of Carlsbad, the second excluding pass-through trips, or trips neither originating nor ending within the City of Carlsbad. Examples of pass-through trips are trips on the I-5 freeway and other major streets where drivers do not begin or end within the City of Carlsbad. Table 6 shows a comparison of VMT from 2005 and 2011 both including and excluding pass-through trips. In both 2005 and 2011, the VMT excluding pass-through trips was less than one-half of the total VMT.

Table 6: Annual Vehicle Miles Travelled within City of Carlsbad Including and Excluding Pass-Through Trips

	2005*	% of Total	2011	% of Total
VMT including pass-through trips	1,077,348,687	-	1,203,623,632	-
VMT excluding pass-through trips	505,241,237	47%	510,973,969	42%

<sup>\*</sup>Estimated by linear interpolation of 2008 SANDAG data

The 2011 Inventory uses VMT excluding pass-through trips to capture transportation emissions from trips originating or ending within the City of Carlsbad. Residents, commuters and the City have a limited ability or are unable to influence pass-through trips, which contribute a substantial amount to VMT totals. Therefore, pass-through trips were excluded from this inventory.

Table 7 compares the 2005 annual VMT to 2011 VMT. The VMT in Carlsbad grew at a slower rate than population growth. The low rate of growth in VMT could have been caused by regional economic slowdown.



Table 7: Annual Vehicle Miles Travelled within City of Carlsbad Excluding Pass-Through Trips

	2005*	2011	Change	Avg Annual
VMT	505,241,237	510,973,969	1%	0.2%

<sup>\*</sup>Estimated by linear interpolation from 2008 SANDAG data

The inventory update uses CARB's latest model, EMFAC2011, which is made up of three modules, -SG, -LDV, and -HD. The SG module covers all vehicle types, while LDV calculates light duty vehicles and HD calculates heavy duty vehicles.

- Carbon dioxide emissions were calculated using the SG module. The model was set to San Diego County, CY 2011, Annual, using the citywide annual VMT for 2011. We used the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions output that assumes Pavley I and low carbon fuel standard (LCFS).
- Methane emissions are not calculated by the SG module, so the LDV module was used to calculate CH<sub>4</sub> from light duty vehicles, with emissions from heavy duty vehicles calculated using a formula. We used the following process:
  - o The SG module automatically distributes overall VMT into different vehicle types using a regionally-specific mix.
  - o These SG vehicle types were compared to the vehicle models in the LDV module and manually categorized into light and heavy duty.
  - o The VMT for light duty vehicles was then entered into the LDV module, which calculated CH<sub>4</sub> for light duty vehicles.
  - o For heavy duty vehicles, we summed the Total TOG Emissions and multiplied by 0.0408 to get CH<sub>4</sub>. Calculation is from CARB: http://www.arb.ca.gov/msei/emfac2011-faq.htm#emfac2011\_web\_db\_qstn07

## **Transportation - Off Road**

As with the 2005 inventory, CARB's OFFROAD2007 model was used. It was run with the settings: 2011 CY, Mon-Sun (all days), Annual, HC emissions as TOG, Area = San Diego County; all equipment, fuel, and horsepowers.

The model generates emission outputs for 16 categories across San Diego County. The 2005 inventory used 4 categories that generate the most emissions: lawn and garden equipment, construction equipment, industrial equipment, and light commercial equipment.

The CO2, N2O, and CH4 emissions are calculated in short tons per day for the county. These emissions were then pro-rated by the city's share of the county population, multiplied by 365 days, and converted to metric tons.

## Solid Waste

For methane emissions from the one landfill in the city limits, the closed Palomar Airport Landfill, we used the same data from 2005 – it is unlikely to have changed much, if at all.



For emissions from solid waste disposed of in Carlsbad and taken to landfills elsewhere, 2011 data for Carlsbad was obtained from CalRecycle. The composition of waste was estimated from the latest such survey, the 2008 CalRecycle Statewide Waste Characterization Study, which has averages for the southern region of California. The amount of average daily cover, which is made of plant debris, was also entered.

## **Wastewater**

As in 2005, the EPIC estimate of GHG emissions from countywide wastewater treatment was used and pro-rated to Carlsbad's share of the county population. For unknown reasons, countywide GHG emissions from wastewater treatment went up significantly from 2005 to 2011, increasing by 32 percent. While this emissions increase was not caused by Carlsbad per se, the community is considered responsible for it. That said, these emissions from wastewater make up a very small proportion of Carlsbad's overall GHG emissions.

## **OUTPUTS**

The majority of emissions growth came from commercial and residential electricity and natural gas consumption, although this was highly influenced by the large increase in emissions from SDG&E electricity generation since 2005. Transportation emissions decreased by 5 percent, though VMT rose by 1 percent, likely a sign that cleaner vehicles are making an impact. Emissions from solid waste decreased along with the decline in the tonnage of waste disposed, possibly due to the economic recession, while emissions from wastewater treatment went up regionally but are a relatively small number. Table 8 summarizes the sources and amounts of communitywide emissions.

Table 8: GHG Emissions 2005 vs. 2011 (metric tons CO2e)

		2005	2011	%	Avg Annual
Sector	Subsector	Emissions	Emissions	Growth	Rate
Residential	Bundled Electricity	62,105	92,500		
	<b>Bundled Natural Gas</b>	74,137	83,698		
	Direct Access Electricity	185	81		
	Direct Access Natural Gas	-	126		
	<b>Total Residential</b>	136,427	176,405	29%	4.38%
Commercial	Bundled Electricity	83,303	125,314		
	<b>Bundled Natural Gas</b>	35,843	37,731		
	Direct Access Electricity	15,049	11,701		
	Direct Access Natural Gas	416	3,966		
	<b>Total Commercial</b>	134,611	178,712	33%	4.84%
Industrial	Bundled Electricity	16,812	29,329		
	Bundled Natural Gas	3,013	-		
	Direct Access Electricity	15,605	8,765		

	Direct Access Natural				
	Gas	-	8,154		
	Total Industrial	35,430	46,248	31%	4.54%
Transportation	On-Road Total	260,467	239,467	-8%	-1.39%
	Lawn and Garden				
	Equipment	2,099	2,449	17%	2.60%
	Construction Equipment	19,861	23,830	20%	3.08%
	Industrial Equipment	4,349	4,943	14%	2.16%
	Light Commercial				
	Equipment	2,654	3,056	15%	2.38%
	Off-Road Subtotal	28,963	34,279	18%	2.85%
	Total Transportation	289,430	273,745	-5%	-0.9%
	Community-generated				
Solid Waste	solid waste	27, <del>4</del> 17	21,719	-21%	-3.81%
	Landfill Waste-in-Place	2,598	2,598	0%	0.00%
	Total Solid Waste	30,015	24,317	-19%	-3.45%
	Total Community-				
Wastewater	generated Wastewater	4,397	6,317	44%	6.23%
GRAND TOTA	LS	630,310	705,744	12%	1.90%

The RCI numbers in the above table can be hard to compare, due to growth in energy consumption being mixed with switches between bundled service and direct access. Table 9 summarizes emissions by power source and sector. From this table, it is clear that the relative and absolute increase in emissions from electricity is a major contributor to the communitywide growth in emissions.

Table 9: Emissions from Electricity and Natural Gas Summarized

OVERALL RCI	306,468	401.365	31%	4.6%
Industrial-NG	3,013	8,154	171%	18.0%
Industrial-Electric	32,417	38,094	18%	2.7%
Commercial-NG	36,259	41,697	15%	2.4%
Commercial-Electric	98,352	137,015	39%	5.7%
Residential-NG	74,137	83,824	13%	2.1%
Residential-Electric	62,290	92,581	49%	6.8%
Category	2005 CO2e	2011 CO2e	% Growth	AARG

## CONCLUSIONS

Overall the communitywide GHG emissions from Carlsbad increased by 12 percent between 2005 and 2011, equivalent to the rate of population and job household growth during that time. As a result, the GHG emissions per service population held steady since 2005, as shown in Table 10.

Table 10: Emissions per Service Population

	2005	2011	% Change
GHG Emissions (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)	630,310	705,745	12.0%
Service Population	154,270	172,820	12.0%
Emissions per Service Population	4.09	4.08	-0.1%

Table 11 shows where the growth in emissions came from. The largest contributors to additional emissions came from commercial electricity usage (37%), followed by residential electricity usage (29%). All other emissions increased lower than the rate of population growth, with emissions from residential natural gas consumption increasing by 9 percent, and all other sources increasing by 5 percent, or decreasing, in the case of roadway emissions.

For electricity, this increase is largely fueled by the large increase (35%) in the CO<sub>2</sub> generated by SDG&E electricity since 2005. For example, residential electricity consumption increased by 10 percent but emissions from that source increased by 29 percent. Commercial electricity consumption went up by 8 percent while related emissions increased by 37 percent—an even higher increase as some commercial customers switched from cleaner direct access electricity to "dirtier" sources.

Table II: Sources of Growth in GHG Emissions (metric tons CO2e)

Residential-NG Roads	74,137 260,467	83,824 239,467	9,688 -21,000	9% -8%
Industrial-Electric	32,417	38,093	5,676	5%
Commercial-NG	36,259	41,697	5,438	5%
Off Road	28,963	34,279	5,315	5%
Industrial-NG	3,013	8,154	5,141	5%
Wastewater	4,397	6,317	1,920	2%
Solid Waste	30,015	24,317	-5,698	-5%
TOTALS	630,310	705,744	75,434	

Table 12 shows the sources of emissions, ordered by volume of overall contribution. The largest contributor continues to be transportation, but that has declined in proportion as emissions from energy consumption have grown faster. These sources—roadway VMT, off-road vehicles, and private electricity and natural gas consumption—account for 96 percent of Carlsbad's communitywide GHG emissions.

Table 12: Greenhouse Gas Emissions Summary by Sector (metric tons CO2e)

TOTAL	630.310	•	705.744	•
Wastewater	4,397	1%	6,317	1%
Solid Waste	30,015	5%	24,317	3%
Residential	136,427	22%	176,405	25%
Commercial / Industrial	170,041	27%	224,960	32%
Transportation	289,431	46%	273,745	39%
Sector	2005	% of Total	2011	% of Total



## MEMORANDUM

To: David de Cordova

From: Chris Ford

Re: Carlsbad Government Operations Greenhouse Gas Inventory Update – 2011

Date: June 18, 2013

This memo summarizes the approach taken to update the 2005 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Inventory from City of Carlsbad government operations with 2011 data and compares the inputs and outputs. A separate memo covers community emissions, updated with 2011 data. That memo is referenced in this one to minimize repetition of information. The content of these memos will contribute to the summary of Carlsbad's GHG emissions in the forthcoming Climate Action Plan (CAP); the memos may be placed in an appendix to the CAP.

Technical terms and acronyms that appear in this memo are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Technical Terms and Acronyms

CACP	Clean Air and Climate Protection software, a model developed by ICLEI to inventory and forecast GHG emissions
CAP	Climate Action Plan
CARB	California Air Resources Board, the agency responsible for setting statewide GHG emission reduction targets. CARB also maintains several GHG emission calculation models.
CO <sub>2</sub> e	Carbon dioxide equivalents, a measure of GHGs that converts non-CO <sub>2</sub> emissions to the same impact as carbon dioxide
EPA	US Environmental Protection Agency
FTE	Full-Time Equivalent employees
GHG	Greenhouse gases, mainly carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ ), carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide ( $N_2O$ ), and methane ( $CH_4$ )
ICLEI	An organization that provides standards and models for measuring and forecasting GHG emissions
SDG&E	San Diego Gas and Electric, the energy utility for Carlsbad
VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled, a measure of the annual amount of driving within an area, used to calculate GHG emissions from vehicles



## **ASSUMPTIONS**

As with the 2005 inventory, ICLEI's CACP<sup>1</sup> model was used to estimate emissions from local government operations across all sectors. Unlike with community emissions, CACP was the only model employed.

Three sectors analyzed— employee commute, stationary refrigerants, and solid waste—are "Scope 3" emissions. These emissions are not part of the government operations emissions inventory as they are indirectly caused by the City, but this memo reports on their impact.

## **Employees**

Between 2005 and 2011, the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) employees at the City of Carlsbad increased by 4.2 percent, growing from 793 to 826 FTE. This percent change is used to estimate pro-rated increases in certain emissions since 2005.

## **Electricity Coefficients**

Electricity coefficients measure how much GHG emission and air pollution is created by various sources of electricity generation. The government operations inventory uses the same electricity coefficients as the community inventory; see that other memo for a discussion on the increase in GHG emissions per megawatt hour from SDG&E electricity since 2005.

## **Natural Gas Coefficients**

The default values in the CACP model were used; they are the same as those used in 2005.

## **Transportation**

Local government emissions from vehicles were estimated using the CACP model. For NO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions, CACP only includes emissions factors through model year 2005. The CACP instructions include additional factors that can be manually entered for model years 2006-2008; we also got newer information from the latest *US EPA Inventory of US GHG Emissions and Sinks* report, the source used by ICLEI. This 2013 version of the EPA report<sup>2</sup> includes newer emissions factors, although the applicable date is not specified; the factors for gasoline are similar to the 2008 factors, therefore they were applied for model years 2009 onwards. Table 2 shows the emissions factors we entered into CACP for gasoline vehicles with model years of 2006 and later.

Table 2: Emissions Factors from Gasoline Fueled Vehicles, Model Years 2006 On

Fuel	Vehicle Type	Model Year	NO₂ factor	CH₄ factor
Gasoline	Passenger car	2006	0.0057	0.0161
Gasoline	Passenger car	2007	0.0041	0.0170
Gasoline	Passenger car	2008	0.0038	0.0172

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The 2011 update utilized the CACP 2009 Version 3.0 software.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> We found the 2013 report, which includes newer factors in Annex 3 of the report, although the applicable date is not specified. http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/ghgemissions/usinventoryreport.html

Table 2: Emissions Factors from Gasoline Fueled Vehicles, Model Years 2006 On

Fuel	Vehicle Type	Model Year	NO₂ factor	CH₄ factor
Gasoline	Passenger car	2009+	0.0036	0.0173
Gasoline	Light trucks	2006	0.0089	0.0159
Gasoline	Light trucks	2007	0.0079	0.0161
Gasoline	Light trucks	2008	0.0066	0.0163
Gasoline	Light trucks	2009+	0.0066	0.0163
Gasoline	Heavy trucks	2006	0.0175	0.0326
Gasoline	Heavy trucks	2007	0.0173	0.0327
Gasoline	Heavy trucks	2008	0.0171	0.0327
Gasoline	Heavy trucks	2009+	0.0134	0.0333

Sources: 2006-08 model years from ICLEI Local Government Operations Inventory Instructions, referencing LGO Protocol table G.12: Based on U.S. EPA Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2008 (2010). 2009+ model years from EPA Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2011 (2013), Annex 3.

The 2013 EPA report's emissions factors for diesel are the same as for model years 1996-2004, so diesel vehicles were handled through the regular CACP calculation.

#### **Solid Waste**

The default values in the CACP model were used.

### **INPUTS AND METHODOLOGY**

This section describes the data used to calculate 2011 emissions and the manner in which the data was acquired, transformed, and used. The table at the end of this section compares the 2005 and 2011 inputs.

### **Buildings and Other Facilities**

The inputs for this sector are electricity and natural gas. Data was entered by individual facility with departmental information also entered. Since the 2005 inventory through 2011, a number of new or expanded facilities have been added to the City's operations: Fire Station No. 6, Senior Center expansion, Recycled Water Facility, Aviara Community Park, Hidden Canyon Park, Pine Avenue Park, The Crossings golf course, and the Hawthorne Equipment Building. During the same period, the Library Learning Center replaced the Adult Learning Center and Centro de Informacion. These additional facilities account for the majority of the change in electricity and natural gas consumption.

Table 3 lists all of the buildings and facilities operated by the city, comparing electricity and natural gas inputs between 2005 and 2011. Overall, the City's facilities consumed 21 percent more electricity and 10 percent more natural gas in 2011 compared to 2005.

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Table 3: Building and Facilities Inputs

		20	005	20	011	% CI	nange
Department	Building	Electricity (kWh)	Natural gas (therms)	Electricity (kWh)	Natural gas (therms)	Electricity (kWh)	Natural gas (therms)
City	City Administration	1,099,520	1,430	1,203,726	1,738	9%	22%
City	City Hall	294,080	8,552	233,680	5,313	-21%	-38%
City	Farmers Insurance Bldgs	167,055	71	112,057	-	-33%	-100%
City	Hawthorne Equipment Bldg	N/A	N/A	10,040	-		N/A
City Total		1,560,655	10,053	1,559,503	7,051	0%	-30%
Community Development	Hiring Center	6,299	-	6,972	-	11%	
Community Development	Las Palmas	22,720	-	55,570	-	145%	
Community I	Development Total	29,019		62,542		116%	-
Fire	Fire Station No. I	85,720	900	63,600	1,358	-26%	51%
Fire	Fire Station No. 2	29,847	676	32,643	1,069	9%	58%
Fire	Fire Station No. 3	33,713	525	33,972	675	1%	29%
Fire	Fire Station No. 4	31,434	544	28,867	1,062	-8%	95%
Fire	Fire Station No. 5	108,560	2,231	98,720	2,061	-9%	-8%
Fire	Fire Station No. 6	N/A	N/A	55,180	1,464	-	N/A
Fire Total		289,274	4,876	312,982	7,689	8%	58%
Golf Course	The Crossings			1,056,015	18,019	-	-
Library	Adult Learning Center	9,078	-	-	-	-	-
Library	Cole Library	454,560	3,835	430,160	2,119	-5%	-45%
Library	Cultural Arts Department	17,506	381	14,444	321	-17%	-16%
Library	Dove Library	1,288,533	15,487	1,432,492	11,200	11%	-28%
Library	Library Learning Center	32,960	766	192,000	421	483%	-45%
Library Total		1,802,637	20,469	2,069,096	14,061	15%	-31%
PD/Fire	Safety Center	1,163,336	20,845	988,001	19,816	-15%	-5%
Public Works	City Yard	100,861	474	88,335	729	-12%	54%
Public Works	CMWD M&O	197,920	754	189,440	86	-4%	-89%
Public Works	Fleet Yard	72,640	1,158	72,320	456	0%	-61%
Public Works	Parks Maintenance	29,474	117	39,694	149	35%	27%
Public Works	Total	400,895	2,503	389,789	1,420	-3%	-43%
Recreation	Calavera Community Center	70,318	-	54,970	-	-22%	-
Recreation	Carrillo Ranch	58,320	-	58,080	-	0%	-

**Table 3: Building and Facilities Inputs** 

		20	005	20	110	% CI	nange
Department	Building	Electricity (kWh)	Natural gas (therms)	Electricity (kWh)	Natural gas (therms)	Electricity (kWh)	Natural gas (therms)
Recreation	Harding Community Center	76,040	1,063	60,120	952	-21%	-10%
Recreation	Parks Total	773,551	2,122	914,888	3,006	18%	42%
Recreation	Senior Center	224,100	6,319	308,318	3,349	38%	-47%
Recreation	Stagecoach Community Center	215,360	1,602	195,920	1,424	-9%	-11%
Recreation	Swim Complex	202,520	31,116	247,240	34,266	22%	10%
Recreation	Trails	7,115	-	65,929	-	827%	-
Recreation T	otal	1,627,324	42,222	1,905,465	42,997	17%	2%
Housing and Services	Neighborhood	22,736	-	31,277	•	38%	-
TOTALS		6,895,876	100,968	8,374,670	111,053	21%	10%

### **Public Lighting**

This sector covers electricity consumed from three sources: traffic signals, streetlights, and other outdoor lighting. As shown in Table 4, streetlights make up the great majority of electricity consumption in this sector. Between 2005 and 2011, this sector consumed 4 percent less electricity, with the small increase in traffic signal and controller use more than offset by the declines in streetlight and outdoor lighting consumption. During this period, the city retrofitted its existing streetlights with more energy-efficient lamps.

Table 4: Public Lighting Inputs (kWh)

	2005	% of Total	2011	% of Total	% Change
Streetlights	4,652,801	86%	4,403,265	85%	-5%
Traffic Signals/Controllers	750,417	14%	768,784	15%	2%
Outdoor Lighting	20,988	0%	17,740	0%	-15%
TOTALS	5,424,206		5,189,789		-4%

### Water and Wastewater Transport

This sector covers fuel consumed by pumps and other mechanisms used to convey water and wastewater: water delivery pumps, sprinklers and irrigation, sewage pumps, and recycled water pump stations. These systems all consumed electricity plus a small amount (170 gallons) of diesel fuel for water delivery generators.

Table 5 shows the electricity consumed by the City's water and wastewater transport systems in 2005 and 2011. During that time, electricity used by these systems increased by 29 percent. Much of that change can be attributed to a major increase in electricity used by recycle pump

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stations, as the city's recycled water facility came online in late 2005. Sewage pumps also used significantly more electricity (22% increase), as did sprinklers and irrigation (72% increase) although the amount was comparatively small. Water delivery pumps actually decreased in electricity consumption by 21 percent.

Table 5: Waste and Wastewater Transport Inputs (kWh)

	2005	% of Total	2011	% of Total	% Change
Recycle Pump Stations	418,980	23%	791,732	34%	89%
Sewage Pumps	1,038,941	57%	1,262,824	53%	22%
Water Delivery Pumps	360,237	20%	285,345	12%	-21%
Sprinklers/Irrigation	13,151	1%	22,554	1%	72%
TOTALS	1,831,309		2,362,455		29%

#### **Vehicle Fleet**

The inputs for this sector are all the vehicles used by the City. The key data used are fuel consumed and VMT, broken out by model year, vehicle type, and fuel type. CACP uses fuel consumption to calculate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and VMT to calculate NO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions.

Although the vehicle fleet data from the City was broken down by department, the inputs were loaded into CACP as a single set for the entire City due to the time consuming nature of processing and entering this very detailed information.

Table 6 summarizes the inputs in 2005 and 2011 by vehicle and fuel type. There likely was some different categorization in terms of vehicle types in 2005, especially between light and heavy trucks, but overall fuel consumed and VMT by fuel type should be comparable. While there was a notable increase in diesel consumption and VMT, this was more than offset by a sharp decline in gasoline consumption and VMT.

**Table 6: Vehicle Fleet Inputs** 

	2005		20	11	% Change	
	Fuel (gal)	VMT	Fuel (gal)	VMT	Fuel (gal)	VMT
Diesel	54,589	284,526	62,407	407,826	14%	43%
Light Truck/SUV/Pickup	8,443	87,570	31,162	298,388		
Heavy Truck	46,146	196,956	31,245	109,438		
Gasoline	207,286	2,580,657	167,345	1,965,416	-18%	-24%
Passenger Car	99,396	1,487,843	85,874	931,979		
Motorcycle	2,374	N/A	1,787	74,024		
Light Truck/SUV/Pickup	88,329	982,401	76,663	938,733		
Heavy Truck	17,187	110,413	3,021	20,680		
Hybrid	-	-	3,581	137,096		
Passenger Car			2,478	108,136		



Light Truck/SUV/Pickup

1,103 28,960

For the analysis in CACP, motorcycle inputs were grouped under passenger cars and hybrid fuel consumption was included with gasoline. Hybrid VMT was assumed at one-third of listed mileage to account for the likely reality of most hybrid miles being under electric power during low speed driving on local streets.

### **Mobile Refrigerants**

Refrigerants come from stationary and mobile sources. Stationary sources are described under Scope 3 emissions.

Mobile source refrigerants come from estimated leakage from the vehicle fleet. The 2005 inventory undertook a very complex and thorough analysis based on attributes of each vehicle in the fleet, using the make, model, year, and time in service to determine refrigerant type and capacity and calculate estimated emissions. Ultimately, the GHG emissions from mobile refrigerants made up less than one percent of government operations emissions in 2005.

Given the small impact of these mobile refrigerants and the time already invested in the 2005 analysis, we used the 2005 output and pro-rated it for 2011 based on the relative sizes of the vehicle fleet. The 2005 fleet had 264 vehicles compared to 291 vehicles in the 2011 fleet, a 10 percent increase. Therefore, we estimated a 10 percent increase in GHG emissions from mobile sources for 2011.

### **Scope 3 Emissions**

These emissions are not part of the government operations inventory as they are indirectly caused by the City.

### **Employee Commute**

The City conducted an employee commute survey in 2009 which was applied to the 2005 inventory. Given that only two years elapsed between the survey and the year of this GHG emissions inventory update, it was assumed that the mode split, fuel consumption, and VMT data from the survey were still applicable. As with the 2005 inventory, the results from usable survey responses were extrapolated to apply to all City FTE. Since the 2011 FTE is 4.2 percent higher than the 2005 FTE, the fuel usage and VMT inputs for 2011 were 4.2 percent higher than in 2005.



### **Stationary Refrigerants**

Stationary sources come from equipment installed in facilities. The 2005 inventory identified refrigerants used to service equipment in five buildings: Las Palmas, Harding Community Center, City Administration, the Safety Center, and the Senior Center. The 2011 inventory identified refrigerant use in four buildings: City Administration, City Hall, Dove Library, and the Senior Center. Refrigerants use was less in 2011 than in 2005, by around half (117.50 kg compared to 234.51 kg).

### Solid Waste

The City undertook a thorough evaluation of solid waste generated by City facilities in 2005. Given that solid waste generation is typically correlated to number of people, we pro-rated the amount of solid waste based on the increase in FTE between 2005 and 2011, which was 4.2 percent.

### **Sectors Not Considered**

The City does not operate port, airport, wastewater, or solid waste facilities, provide transit services, or generate electric power.

### **CONCLUSIONS**

City operations in 2011 generated an estimated 8,205 metric tons  $CO_2e$  in GHG emissions, compared to an estimated 6,556 metric tons  $CO_2e$  in 2005, an increase of 25 percent, as shown in Table 7. City operations still accounted for a very small proportion of the GHG emissions from Carlsbad in 2011, making up 0.8 percent of emissions, the same as in 2005.

Table 7: Government Operations Emissions - 2005 vs. 2011 (metric tons CO2e)

	2005	2011	% Change
Total emissions	6,556	8,205	25.2%
Carlsbad - Service Population	154,270	172,820	12.0%
Community emissions	925,248	1,030,353	11.4%
Government operations as proportion of community emissions	0.7%	0.8%	13.1%

The rate of growth in government emissions between 2005 and 2011 was higher than the rates of increase in Carlsbad's service population (12.0%) and communitywide GHG emissions (11.4%). The main reasons for the increase in government operations emissions appear to be twofold:

- A sharp increase in electricity consumed by water and wastewater transport services, especially recycled water pumps; and
- More emissions from electricity per megawatt hour, an issue that also affected communitywide emissions and further discussed in that memo.



### **Emissions by Sector**

Emissions for government operations mainly came from buildings and facilities (42%) and the vehicle fleet (27%), followed by public lighting (21%) and water and wastewater transportation (10%), as shown in Table 8.

Compared to 2005, the proportion of city government emissions from buildings and facilities increased from 35 percent to 42 percent, increasing by 50 percent and making up more than two-thirds of the growth in emissions. As explained above, this is largely due to the opening of new buildings and recreation facilities since 2005.

Meanwhile, compared to 2005, the proportion of emissions from lighting and water/wastewater transport stayed largely the same, but the actual emissions from these sectors grew by 29 percent and 72 percent, respectively. Note that public lighting emissions increased by despite that sector consuming 4 percent less electricity in 2011 compared to 2005. This outcome is a result of the much greater amount of emissions produced per megawatt hour of electricity in 2011 compared to 2005.

Meanwhile, vehicle fleet emissions decreased by 9 percent during the same period, due to major decreases in the miles driven and gallons of gasoline consumed.

Table 8: Emissions by Sector (metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e)

		% of		% of	2005 to 2011	% Growth	% of
Source	2005	Total	2011	Total	Increase		Growth
Buildings and Facilities	2,266	35%	3,410	42%	1,144	50%	69%
Vehicle Fleet	2,474	38%	2,253	27%	-221	-9%	-13%
Public Lighting	1,354	21%	1,747	21%	393	29%	24%
Water and Wastewater							
Transport	461	7%	795	10%	334	72%	20%
TOTALS	6,556		8,205		1,650	25%	

### **Emissions by Source**

Most of the government operations emissions in 2011 came from electricity consumption, accounting for 65 percent of emissions, an increase from 59 percent in 2005. GHG emissions from electricity increased by 52 percent between 2005 and 2011, as shown in Table 9. Electricity was the source of almost all of the increase in emissions—more than the total increase, in fact, but offset by the decline in emissions from gasoline. Emissions from gasoline dropped by 17 percent, which caused gasoline to decline from 31 to less than 19 percent of government operation emissions between 2005 and 2011. Emissions from diesel grew by 13 percent and from natural gas and mobile refrigerants by 10 percent each, although all from relatively small bases.

Table 9: Emissions by Source (metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e)

Source	2005	% of	2011	% of	2005 to 2011	% Growth	% of
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		Total		Total	Increase		Growth
Electricity	3,534	58.7%	5,362	65.4%	1,828	52%	111%
Gasoline	1,853	30.8%	1,538	18.7%	-315	-17%	-19%
Diesel / Propane	566	9.4%	641	7.8%	75	13%	5%
Natural Gas	537	8.9%	590	7.2%	53	10%	3%
Mobile Refrigerants	67	1.1%	74	0.9%	7	10%	0%
TOTALS	6,557		8,205		1,648	25%	

#### **Sector 3 Emissions**

Employee commute and solid waste emissions were estimated for 2011 based on pro-rating various indicators and loading them into the CACP model for calculation. See the Assumptions section above for more details.

- Employee commute emissions were estimated at 2,567 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e in 2011, compared to 2,417 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e in 2005, an increase of 6.2 percent.
- Stationary refrigerant emissions were estimated at 173 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e in 2011, compared to 399 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e in 2005, a decrease of 57 percent.
- Solid waste emissions were estimated at 144 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e in 2005, the same as in 2011.

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# **Appendix D**

# Applicable General Plan Policies

### **Chapter 2: Land Use and Community Design**

- 2-P.24 Build and operate commercial uses in such a way as to complement but not conflict with adjoining residential areas. This shall be accomplished by:
  - a. Controlling lights, signage, and hours of operation to avoid adversely impacting surrounding uses.
  - b. Requiring adequate landscaped buffers between commercial and residential uses.
  - c. Providing bicycle and pedestrian links between commercial centers and surrounding residential uses, and providing bicycle-parking racks.
  - d. Ensuring building mass does not adversely impact surrounding residences.
- 2-P.25 Ensure that commercial development is designed to include:
  - a. Integrated landscaping, parking, signs, and site and building design
  - b. Common ingress and egress, safe and convenient access and internal circulation, adequate off-street parking and loading facilities. Each commercial site should be easily accessible by pedestrians, bicyclists, and automobiles to nearby residential development.
  - c. Architecture that emphasizes establishing community identity while presenting tasteful, dignified and visually appealing designs compatible with their surroundings.
  - d. A variety of courtyards and pedestrian ways, bicycle facilities, landscaped parking lots, and the use of harmonious architecture in the construction of buildings
- 2-P.45 Evaluate each discretionary application for development of property with regard to the following specific criteria:
  - a. Site design and layout of the proposed buildings in terms of size, height and location, to foster harmony with landscape and adjacent development.
  - b. Site design and landscaping to provide buffers and screening where appropriate, conserve water, and reduce erosion and runoff.
  - c. Building design that enhances neighborhood quality, and incorporates considerations of visual quality from key vantage points, such as major transportation corridors and intersections, and scenic vistas.

- d. Site and/or building design features that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions over the life of the project, as outlined in the Climate Action Plan.
- e. Provision of public and/or private usable open space and/or pathways designated in the Open Space, Conservation, and Recreation Element.
- f. Contributions to and extensions of existing systems of streets, foot or bicycle paths, trails, and the greenbelts provided for in the Mobility, and Open Space, Conservation, and Recreation elements of the General Plan.
- g. Compliance with the performance standards of the Growth Management Plan.
- h. Development proposals which are designed to provide safe, easy pedestrian and bicycle linkages to nearby transportation corridors.
- i. Provision of housing affordable to lower and/or moderate-income households.
- j. Policies and programs outlined in Local Coastal Program where applicable.
- k. Consistency with applicable provisions of the Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan for McClellan-Palomar Airport.
- 2-P.46 Require new residential development to provide pedestrian and bicycle linkages, when feasible, which connect with nearby shopping centers, community centers, parks, schools, points of interest, major transportation corridors and the Carlsbad Trail System.
- 2-P.47 At the time existing shopping centers are renovated or redeveloped, where feasible, require connections to existing residential neighborhoods through new pedestrian pathways and entrances, mid-block crossings, new or wider sidewalks, and pedestrian-scaled street lighting.
- 2-P.48 Enhance walkability on a citywide scale by installing benches and transit shelters and adding landscaping, wayfinding signage, public art, and pedestrian-scaled lighting. Consider ways to improve rail and freeway overpass/ underpass areas, with lighting, sidewalk improvements and public art.
- 2-P.50 Improve beach access through a variety of mechanisms, including:
  - a. In the Village and adjacent areas, identify the primary pedestrian connections and entrances to the beach through signage, a consistent landscaping scheme, change in paving materials, wider sidewalks and preservation of view corridors. Identify opportunities for additional access points as improved connectivity and facilities are provided, particularly if new beachfront activity areas are established.
  - b. In the Barrio neighborhood, provide a pedestrian crossing under or over the rail corridor at Chestnut Avenue.
  - c. Identify and implement more frequent pedestrian crossings along Carlsbad Boulevard. Identify and prioritize crossings from residential neighborhoods and existing bicycle and pedestrian trails.

For more detailed policies on pedestrian and bicycle movement, see Chapter 3: Mobility.

2-P.53 Plan and design Carlsbad Boulevard and adjacent public land (Carlsbad Boulevard coastal corridor) according to the following guiding principles:

- a. Carlsbad Boulevard shall become more than a road. This transportation corridor shall provide for recreational, aesthetic and community gathering opportunities that equal the remarkable character of the land.
- b. Community safety shall be a high priority. Create destination that provides a safe public environment to recreate.
- c. Strategic public access and parking is a key to success. Development shall capitalize on opportunities to add/enhance multiple public access points and public parking for the beach and related recreational amenities.
- d. Open views are desirable and important to maintaining the character of the area. Preservation and enhancement of views of ocean, lagoons, and other water bodies and beaches shall be a high priority in road, landscaping, and amenity design and development.
- e. Enhance the area's vitality through diversity of recreational land uses. Carlsbad Boulevard development shall provide for amenities, services and goods that attract a diversity of residents and visitors.
- f. Create vibrant and sustainable public spaces. Development shall provide for unique and vibrant coastal gathering spaces where people of all age groups and interests can gather to enjoy recreational and environmental amenities and supporting commercial uses.
- g. Connect community, place and spirit. Design shall complement and enhance connectivity between existing community and regional land uses.
- h. Environmentally sensitive design is a key objective. Environmentally sensitive development that respects existing coastal resources is of utmost importance.
- i. A signature scenic corridor shall be created through design that honors the coastline's natural beauty. The resulting improvements will capture the 'essence' of Carlsbad; making it a special place for people from throughout the region with its natural beauty and vibrant public spaces. Properly carried out, the realigned boulevard will maximize public views and encourage everyone to slow down and enjoy the scenery.
- j. Reimagining of Carlsbad Boulevard shall be visionary. The reimagined Carlsbad Boulevard corridor will incorporate core community values articulated in the Carlsbad Community Vision by providing: a) physical connectivity through multi-modal mobility improvements including bikeways, pedestrian trails, and a traffic-calmed street; b) social connectivity through creation of memorable public spaces; and c) economic vitality through a combination of visitor and local-serving commercial, civic, and recreational uses and services.
- 2-P.72 Enhance the walkability and pedestrian orientation of the Village, including along Carlsbad Village Drive, to enhance the small, beach town atmosphere and improve access to and utilization of transit.
- 2-P.75 Address parking demand by finding additional areas to provide parking for the Village and beach areas, and by developing creative parking management strategies, such as shared parking, maximum parking standards, "smart" metering, utilizing on-street parking for re-use of existing buildings, etc.
- 2-P.79 Create a cohesive, pedestrian-scale streetscape that includes improved sidewalks, streetscape, signage and way-finding, and which celebrates the Barrio's heritage and provides better connections between the Barrio and Village and across the railroad at Chestnut Avenue.

### 2-P.83 West of the railroad tracks:

- Decommission, demolish, remove and remediate the Encina Power Station site, including the associated structures, the black start unit and exhaust stack according to the provisions of a settlement agreement dated January 14, 2014, between and among the City of Carlsbad and the Carlsbad Municipal Water District (CMWD), Cabrillo Power I LLC and Carlsbad Energy Center LLC, and San Diego Gas and Electric Company (SDG&E).
- The desalination plant shall remain on approximately 11 acres (six acres for the desalination plant and approximately five acres of non-exclusive easements) west of the railroad tracks.
- Redevelop the Encina Power Station site, along with the SDG&E North Coast Service Center site, with a mix of visitor-serving commercial uses, such as retail and hotel uses, and with new community-accessible open spaces along Agua Hedionda Lagoon and the waterfront (Carlsbad Boulevard). Encourage community gathering spaces, outdoor dining, and other features to maximize potential views of the ocean and the lagoon. Encourage shared parking arrangements so that a greater proportion of development can be active space rather than parking.
- Determine specific uses, development standards, infrastructure, public improvements, site planning and amenities through a comprehensive planning process (e.g., specific plan, master plan, etc.) resulting in a redevelopment plan approved by the City Council. The redevelopment plan boundaries should include the Encina Power Station and the SDG&E North Coast Service Center sites.
- Work with SDG&E to identify a mutually acceptable alternative location for Its North Coast Service Center. Work with SDG&E, as part of a long-term plan, to identify and ultimately permit an alternate site for its Encina substation.

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- 3-P.8 Utilize transportation demand management strategies, non-automotive enhancements (bicycle, pedestrian, transit, train, trails, and connectivity), and traffic signal management techniques as long-term transportation solutions and traffic mitigation measures to carry out the Carlsbad Community Vision.
- 3-P.15 Evaluate methods and transportation facility improvements to promote biking, walking, safer street crossings, and attractive streetscapes. The City Council shall have the sole discretion to approve any such road diet or vehicle traffic calming improvements that would reduce vehicle capacity to or below a LOS D; this also applies to streets where the vehicle is not subject to the MMLOS standard as specified in Table 3-1.
- 3-P.16 Design new streets, and explore funding opportunities for existing streets, to minimize traffic volumes and/or speed, as appropriate, within residential neighborhoods without compromising connectivity for emergency first responders, bicycles, and pedestrians consistent with the city's Carlsbad Active Transportation Strategies. This should be accomplished through management and implementation of livable streets strategies and such programs like the Carlsbad Residential Traffic Management Plan.

- 3-P.17 Consider innovative design and program solutions to improve the mobility, efficiency, connectivity, and safety of the transportation system. Innovative design solutions include, but are not limited to, traffic calming devices, roundabouts, traffic circles, curb extensions, separated bicycle infrastructure, pedestrian scramble intersections, high visibility pedestrian treatments and infrastructure, and traffic signal coordination. Innovative program solutions include, but are not limited to, webpages with travel demand and traffic signal management information, car and bike share programs, active transportation campaigns, and intergenerational programs around schools to enhance safe routes to schools. Other innovative solutions include bicycle friendly business districts, electric and solar power energy transportation systems, intelligent transportation systems, semi- or full autonomous vehicles, trams, and shuttles.
- 3-P.19 Encourage Caltrans, SANDAG, NCTD, and adjacent cities to improve regional connectivity and service consistent with regional planning efforts. This includes expansion of Interstate-5 with two HOV lanes in each direction, auxiliary lanes, and associated enhancements, a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) route along Palomar Airport Road, shuttle bus services from COASTER stations, and other enhancements to improve services in the area.
- 3-P.20 Engage Caltrans, the Public Utilities Commission, transit agencies, the Coastal Commission, and railroad agency(s) regarding opportunities for improved connections within the city, including:
  - Improved connections across the railroad tracks at Chestnut Avenue and other locations
  - A grade separated rail corridor that includes grade separated street crossings at Grand Avenue, Carlsbad Village Drive, Tamarack Avenue and Cannon Road, as well as new pedestrian and bicycle crossings
  - Completion and enhancements to the Coastal Rail Trail and/or equivalent trail along the coastline
  - Improved connectivity along Carlsbad Boulevard for pedestrians and bicyclists, such as a trail
  - Improved access to the beach and coastal recreational opportunities
  - Improved crossings for pedestrians across and along Carlsbad Boulevard
- 3-P.21 Implement connections and improvements identified in this Mobility Element, including those identified in policy 3-P.19, as well as:
  - Extension of College Boulevard from Cannon Road to El Camino Real
  - Completion of the Poinsettia Lane connection near El Camino Real (Reach E)
  - Extension of Camino Junipero to the eastern city boundary
  - A bicycle/pedestrian trail/pathway connecting the eastern terminus of Marron Road to the east
  - A bicycle/pedestrian trail/pathway connecting the eastern terminus of Cannon Road to the east, and coordination with adjacent agencies to appropriately link to their facilities
- 3-P.22 Support pedestrian and bicycle facilities at all Interstate-5 and State Route 78 interchanges.

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- 3-P.24 Update the pedestrian, trails and bicycle master plans, as necessary, to reflect changes in needs, opportunities and priorities.
- 3-P.25 Implement the projects recommended in the pedestrian, trails and bicycle master plans through the city's capital improvement program, private development conditions and other appropriate mechanisms.
- 3-P.26 Identify and implement necessary pedestrian improvements on streets where pedestrians are to be accommodated per Table 3-1, with special emphasis on providing safer access to schools, parks, community and recreation centers, shopping districts, and other appropriate facilities.
- 3-P.27 Implement the Safe Routes to School and Safe Routes to Transit programs that focus on pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements near local schools and transit stations. Prioritize schools with access from arterial streets for receiving Safe Routes to School projects.
- 3-P.28 Improve and enhance parking, connectivity, access, and utilization for pedestrians and bicycles to COASTER stations, utility corridors, and open spaces consistent with city planning documents.
- 3-P.29 Evaluate incorporating pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure within the city as part of any planning or engineering study, private development, or capital project.
- 3-P.31 Engage the community in the policy setting and planning of street, bicycle, pedestrian, transit, and connectivity studies, plans and programs.
- 3-P.32 Require developers to improve pedestrian and bicycle connectivity consistent with the city's bicycle and pedestrian master plans and trails master planning efforts. In addition, new residential developments should demonstrate that a safe route to school and transit is provided to nearby schools and transit stations within a half mile walking distance.
- 3-P.33 Work with existing neighborhoods and businesses to improve pedestrian and bicycle connectivity and safety consistent with the city's pedestrian and bicycle master plans and trails master planning efforts.
- 3-P.34 Actively pursue grant programs such as SANDAG's Active Transportation Grant Program and Smart Growth Incentive Program to improve non-automotive connectivity throughout the city. The emphasis of grant-funded projects shall be on implementation, which includes planning documents that guide and prioritize implementation, programs that encourage the use of active transportation modes, education for the use of active transportation modes, or physical improvements themselves.
- 3-P.35 Partner with other agencies and/or developers to improve transit connectivity within Carlsbad. As part of a comprehensive transportation demand management (TDM) strategy and/or with transit oriented development (TOD), a shuttle system could be established that connects destinations and employment centers like LEGOLAND, hotels, the Village, McClellan-Palomar Airport, business parks,

- the COASTER and Breeze transit stations, public activity centers (such as senior centers, city hall, libraries, etc.) and key destinations along the coast. The system could incorporate shuttle service in adjacent cities to maximize connectivity.
- 3-P.36 Encourage NCTD, SANDAG and other transit providers to provide accessibility for all modes of travel to the McClellan-Palomar Airport area.
- 3-P.38 Develop flexible on-site vehicle parking requirements. Such requirements will include implementation of innovative parking techniques, implementing effective TDM programs to reduce parking demand, and consideration of other means to efficiently manage parking supply and demand.
- 3-P.39 Require new employment development to provide secure bicycle parking on-site. Major employers should provide shower and changing rooms for employees as appropriate.
- 3-P.40 Assist Village businesses to manage parking in the Village area to maximize parking efficiency. Any potential parking-related revenues generated in this area should be reinvested into the Village area for implementing livable streets and other parking, pedestrian, and bicycle enhancements, including way-finding signage and maintenance of associated infrastructure.
- 3-P.41 Consider supporting new development and existing businesses with various incentives (such as parking standards modifications) for implementing TDM programs that minimize the reliance on single-occupant automotive travel during peak commute hours.

### **Chapter 4: Open Space, Conservation, and Recreation**

- 4-P.40 Prepare a comprehensive Trails Master Plan update, that expands the existing and planned 61-mile trail system, with the following objectives:
  - Connectivity between off-road trails and major on-road pedestrian and bicycle routes, such that future improvements in the trail system also contribute to linkages between important sites (beaches, lagoons, schools, commercial centers, master planned communities, and others)
  - Design and designate trails as multi-use to be accessible for all user groups, including walkers, bicyclists, and equestrians (as land use policy allows). Ensure that the network provides an appropriate amount of resources for each trail type or user group
  - Greenway and trail linkages from major recreational/open space areas to other land use areas or activities, including, but not limited to, residential neighborhoods, places of employment, parks, schools, libraries, and viewpoints
  - Linkages/multi-use trails connecting businesses and residential neighborhoods to the beaches

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# Appendix E

# Project Level Mitigation Measures

In addition to the programmatic measures contained in this Climate Action Plan, the following is a non-exclusive list of mitigation measures that can be applied at the project level to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. These measures, and other measures not listed in this Appendix which may become available, are intended to assist projects in meeting the performance standard of reducing their greenhouse gas emissions to the level required by federal, state and local law, including the emission reduction targets established in this Climate Action Plan. The city and project applicants may consider these and other projectlevel mitigation measures, provided that their effectiveness in reducing greenhouse gas emissions can be demonstrated and they are otherwise consistent with all applicable policies and ordinances (e.g., a mixed-use project that is permissible by the zoning ordinance). Sources for additional potential mitigation measures may include those listed in: CAPCOA's "CEQA and Climate Change, Evaluating and Addressing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Projects Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (January 2008)"; the Attorney General's "Addressing Climate Change at the Project Level"; OPR's CEQA and Climate Change: Addressing Climate Change Through California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)"; and SANDAG's "Draft Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation White Paper (2014)". Please see Appendix C for complete references.

### Renewable Energy

- Provide onsite renewable energy system(s). Nonpolluting and renewable energy potential includes solar, wind, geothermal, low-impact hydro, biomass and bio-gas strategies
- Include in new buildings facilities to support the use of low/zero carbon fueled vehicles, such as the charging of electric vehicles from green electricity sources
- Provide solar water heaters

### Green Building

 Meet recognized green building and energy efficiency benchmarks such as LEED and ENERGY STAR • Incorporate materials which are resource efficient, recycled, with long life cycles and manufactured in an environmentally friendly way

### **Energy Efficiency**

- Exceed Carlsbad Green Building Code (Title 24) mandatory efficiency requirements by 15% or more
- Install light colored "cool" roofs (e.g. Energy Star roofing) or other highly reflective, highly emissive roofing materials
- Install a vegetated ("green") roof that covers at least 50% of roof area
- Design project to maximize solar orientation (i.e., 75% or more building face north or south; include roof overhangs that block high summer sun, but not lower winter sun, from penetrating south-facing windows
- Plant trees and vegetation near structures to shade buildings and reduce energy requirements for heating/cooling
- Install energy-reducing ceiling/whole-house fans
- Install energy efficient lighting (e.g., light emitting diodes (LEDs)), heating and cooling systems, appliances, equipment, and control systems. (e.g., Energy Star)
- Install energy-reducing programmable thermostats that automatically adjust temperature settings

### Transportation

- Develop commute trip reduction plans that encourage employees who commute alone to consider alternative transportation modes
- Create an online ridesharing program that matches potential carpoolers immediately through email
- Provide fair-share funding of transportation improvements
- Provide shuttle service or public transit incentives such as transit passes to decrease work-related auto trips
- Provide "end-of-trip" facilities including showers, lockers, and changing space (nonresidential projects)
- Incorporate public transit into project design
- Incorporate bicycle lanes, routes and facilities into street systems, new subdivisions, and large developments
- Provide amenities for non-motorized transportation, such as secure and convenient bicycle parking

- Provide plentiful short- and long-term bicycle parking facilities (nonresidential projects)
- Provide long-term bicycle parking is provided at apartment complexes or condominiums without garages
- Create pedestrian (and/or bicycle) access network that internally links all uses and connects to all existing/planned external streets and pedestrian (and/or bicycle) facilities contiguous with the project site
- Provide a parking lot design that includes clearly marked and shaded pedestrian pathways between transit facilities and building entrances
- Provide parking for EVs/CNG vehicles
- Install EV charging facilities

### Water Conservation

- Install water-efficient fixtures and appliances such as low-flow fixtures, dual flush toilets, and other water efficient appliances
- Install water-efficient irrigation systems and devices, such as soil moisture-based irrigation controls and use water-efficient irrigation methods
- Implement low-impact development practices that maintain the existing hydrology of the site to manage storm water and protect the environment
- Incorporate recycled/reclaimed water for landscape irrigation and other non-potable water use needs
- Incorporate rain barrels and gray water systems for landscape irrigation

### Landscaping

- Install native and drought tolerant plant materials into landscapes
- Incorporate into landscapes drought resistant native trees, trees with low emissions and high carbon sequestration potential
- Provide parking lot areas with 50% tree cover within 10 years of construction, in particular low emitting, low maintenance, native drought resistant trees. Reduces urban heat island effect
- Dedicate space for neighborhood gardening

### Mixed-Use

 Development projects predominantly characterized by properties on which various uses, such as office, commercial, institutional, and residential, are combined in a single building or on a single site in an integrated development project with functional interrelationships and a coherent physical design; or projects that have at least three of the following on site and/or offsite within one-quarter mile: residential development, retail development, office, transit, park, or open space

 Provide on-site shops and services for employees, as permitted by zoning and development standards

### Solid Waste Measures

- Reuse and recycle construction and demolition waste (including, but not limited to, soil, vegetation, concrete, lumber, metal, and cardboard).
- Provide interior and exterior storage areas for recyclables and green waste and adequate recycling containers located in public areas.
- Provide education and publicity about reducing waste and available recycling services.

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